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## "WE MUST EXPECT HARDER FIGHT FOR DEFENCE OF CYRENEICA AND EGYPT"—WARNING BY CHURCHILL

"NOW THAT THE GERMANS ARE USING THEIR ARMOURED STRENGTH IN CYRENEICA WE MUST EXPECT HARD AND SEVERE FIGHTING NOT ONLY FOR THE DEFENCE OF CYRENEICA BUT FOR THE DEFENCE OF EGYPT," warned MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, PRIME MINISTER, when he reviewed the war situation in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, states a Reuter message. "IT IS FORTUNATE THAT THE ITALIAN COLLAPSE IN ERITREA, ETHIOPIA AND BRITISH AND ITALIAN SOMALILAND IS LIBERATING PROGRESSIVELY VERY SUBSTANTIAL FORCES AND MASSES OF TRANSPORT TO REINFORCE THE ARMY OF THE NILE."

## Red Sea Virtually Cleared Of Enemy Warships: Italian Naval Power Broken At Matapan

The Premier said that the loss of BENGHAZI by the German encroachment on Cyreneica was chiefly injurious because valuable airfields had passed into the enemy's hands. Apart from that aspect the British forces should have originally halted at TOBRUK because it was easy going after that and submarines and aircraft were taking a steady toll of ships carrying troops and motor vehicles.

THE GERMAN ATTACK, HOWEVER, HAD BEEN IN GREATER STRENGTH THAN THE BRITISH COMMANDERS EXPECTED AND THE IMPERIAL FORCES HAD NOW FALLEN BACK ON STRONGER POSITIONS AND MORE DEFENSIBLE COUNTRY, says Reuter.

## Greece Was Ready To Fight Alone If Necessary: "Our Duty Was Clear"



## MASSAWA IN HANDS OF BRITISH

AFTER 18-HOUR TRUCE GRANTED

The Italian port of Massawa in Eritrea has fallen to the British Imperial Forces, it is learned in London, says Reuter.

After the fall of Asmara, the Italians were called upon to surrender Massawa, but they resisted. The capture of Massawa leaves Assab as the only Italian port along the Red Sea.

The last battle for the important port of Massawa began at 1 p.m. on Wednesday after an 18-hour truce which had been granted to the Italians to enable them to consider the British terms for surrender of the town, writes Reuter's Special correspondent with the British Imperial Forces.

### DEFEND POET

The truce ended when the Italian Admiral, commanding the port, announced the decision, believed to be dictated from Rome, to defend the port to the last.

An exchange of gunfire announced the beginning of the battle and shortly after R.A.F. machines bombed Italian positions.

The Italians' decision to fight on was conveyed by a Staff officer, who was brought blindfolded to the British Headquarters. The Italians made no efforts to defend the road winding wildly through the mountains from Asmara and therefore could not hope to hold Massawa despite heavy shore guns which they turned towards land.

The French Foreign Legion formed the spearhead for the final attack.

## Crisis May Develop In East Asia Declares Hiranuma

TOKYO, April 9 (Reuter)—"A FRESH BIG CRISIS may develop in East Asia any moment due to the serious situation brought about in this part of the world by Britain and the United States, who have vigorously tightened the economic blockade against Japan on one hand and on the other extending increased assistance to the Chiang Kai-shek regime," declared BARON HIRANUMA, the Home Minister, in his address in the second day's session of the Provincial Governors' conference.

However, it is observed with gratification, the steady progress and the "construction of a new East Asia" by the conclusion of an agreement regulating basic relations between Japan, Manchoukuo and the settlement of the Thailand-French Indo-China border dispute through Japan's mediation.

Assuring the Provincial Governors that the Government has taken all necessary measures for coping efficiently all possible contingencies, the Home Minister urged them to co-operate with the Government in maintaining national standard of living, fostering of national resources, maintaining peace and order by cautious operation of the national defence service act and peace and maintenance act and the training of the people for air raid precautions.

## Today's News Summary

REVIEWING THE WAR situation, Mr. Churchill, the Prime Minister of Britain, in the House of Commons yesterday, warned that we must expect harder fighting not only for the defence of Cyreneica but also for the defence of Egypt. The Battle of Matapan had broken up the Italian naval power and the Red Sea had virtually been swept clean of enemy warships.

GERMAN TROOPS ENTERED Salónica at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. Meanwhile the R.A.F., defying bad weather, have successfully attacked German columns in southern Yugoslavia.

COVENTRY SUFFERED another savage raid by German aircraft on Wednesday night the attack lasting several hours and resulting in considerable damage. The R.A.F. made another successful attack on Kiel for the second night in succession. Six German bombers were shot down over Britain during the night.

BRITISH TROOPS HAVE occupied Massawa, the Red Sea port which the Italians refused to surrender. The only port left to II Duce is Assab, on the Eritrean coast. An 18-hour truce was given before Massawa was entered.

### MOST POWERFUL U.S. BATTLESHIP

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter)

The most powerful battleship of the United States navy—the 35,000-ton North Carolina—is being commissioned at the Brooklyn navy yard today, says the NEW YORK DAILY NEWS.

Naval experts compare her armament and equipment with those of the British battleship King George V.

The North Carolina carries nine 16-inch guns in the main battery.

## GRUESOME KOWLOON DISCOVERY

### ALLEGED MURDER OF TWO GIRLS

The brutal murder of two girls, the alleged motive of which was a family squabble, was discovered at No. 171 Tung Choi Street, Kowloon, ground floor, yesterday.

The victims were CHIU MOTSAN, aged 8 years, and CHIU MO-YEE, aged 6.

The gruesome discovery was made by the father who found the bodies of his daughters about 4 p.m. Their hands and feet were bound and they were gagged. The elder girl had a severe cut on her throat.

An uncle of the girls, Chin Sing-tung, aged 19, has been detained by the Police. Chin was alleged to have openly spoken of killing the girls.

The bodies were removed to the Kowloon Mortuary at 8 p.m.

### MAIL NOTICES DISCONTINUED

The issue of the Post Office Inward and Outward Mail Notices, except in the case of direct Air Mails, will be discontinued as from today, and no enquiries of any nature, i.e. personally, by telephone or by letter, as to the time of closing or receipt of any particular mail can be entertained.

## GERMAN TROOPS ENTER SALONIKA: R.A.F. DEFY BAD WEATHER IN DAYLONG RAIDS ON NAZI COLUMNS

GERMAN TROOPS HAVE ENTERED SALONIKA AND CUT OFF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN GREEK FORCES IN EASTERN MACEDONIA AND THE REST OF THE COUNTRY, IT IS LEARNED IN LONDON, STATES REUTER.

YUGOSLAV TROOPS ARE FALLING BACK TO SOUTHERN YUGOSLAVIA AND THE GERMANS, ADVANCING FROM RUMANIA, HAVE ALREADY CLAIMED TO HAVE REACHED THE IMPORTANT RAILWAY JUNCTION OF SKOPJE, IN THE NORTHERN SECTION OF THE VARDAR VALLEY.

The Germans have occupied ALEXANDROUPOLIS on the Aegean Sea, four miles west of the Turkish frontier, according to an unconfirmed report from Turkey.

DEFYING BAD WEATHER, R.A.F. MACHINES MADE DAYLONG RAIDS ON GERMAN COLUMNS IN SOUTHERN YUGOSLAVIA YESTERDAY.

## British Troops Have Not Yet Contacted Enemy

These attacks were in the Strumitsa area on motor transport and tank columns and they were successful.

LOCAL CHARACTER

A Yugoslav communiqué states: "On the northern front, small battles of local character have occurred in the frontier zones. During Apr. 7 and Apr. 8, the enemy again bombed Belgrade from which military elements were evacuated on the first day of the war.

In addition to Belgrade, the enemy bombed Kragujevac, Skopje, Chanats and Lazarevac.

"We have no indication that British troops have yet established contact with the enemy nor is there any indication when that contact will be effected," declared a British military spokesman in Athens.

The Yugoslavs have occupied Lesje, 25 miles south of Scutari, says the Ankara correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

He adds that a second Yugoslav column is advancing from Prizren and is reported to have crossed the eastern Albanian frontier.

The Yugoslav capital has shifted daily.

FLAME-THROWERS

German parachutists equipped with flame-throwers, who attacked

the Yugoslaw right wing appeared to have been forced back out of contact with the Greek left wing.

Major Hastings added that Salónica had always been lusted after by the Huns but it has not got the same strategic importance it used to have," said MAJOR HASTINGS when he described the Balkan battle front in a broadcast from London yesterday.

Major Hastings added that Salónica was now very vulnerable to air attack from Bulgaria and, according to the disposition of the Allied troops, it was clear that the strategic importance of the town was insignificant.

Major Hastings said that there were two routes to the Aegean Sea—one was through the Struma Valley and the other through the Vardar Valley west of Salónica.

There was also the Valley of the Strumitsa, a tributary of the Struma and it was along this line that the Yugoslaw right wing

appeared to have been forced back out of contact with the Greek left wing.

DEPTH OF PENETRATION

The town of Strumitsa itself has already been bombed by the R.A.F. and this gave a fair idea of the depth of the Hun penetration.

One could understand that the southern German forces will develop one of the two-prong drive towards Salónica. "If this comes off," said Major Hastings, "then the Greek advance units in Thrace are in some danger."

The German forces have penetrated as far as the sea and that meant that there was extreme pressure on the right flank. It meant also that it exposed the German flank along the Turkish border.

KIEL ATTACKED

On Wednesday night, a very powerful force of British bombers attacked Kiel, the second raid in two nights. The results were even more impressive than on Monday night, according to many crews, who were able to see as the weather was ideal for observation.

Bremenhaven, Emden and oil storage tanks at Rotterdam were also raided during the night while fighters carried out offensive patrols over aerodromes in Northern France.

Five bombers are missing from these operations.

During daylight yesterday, R.A.F. aircraft attacked shipping off the Frisian Islands, from which all aircraft returned safely.

Two more enemy bombers were brought down this morning off the Welsh coast.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1941.



# In the World of Sports



## SOFTBALL NOTES:

## SAINTS PLAY ERRORLESS BALL TO ANNEX LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP: TWO HOLIDAY EXHIBITIONS

BY 'R.O.Y.'

WINDING UP THE LEAGUE SCHEDULE IN FINE STYLE, St. Joseph's played errorless ball against the Recreio Aces, on Sunday last, to take a three-nil decision and with it the local softball championship.

Dismal weather conditions were responsible for the comparatively small crowd that turned out to see the pennant decider which was featured by fine defensive play by both of the contesting teams.

## ONLY DOUBLE-KILLING

The Rambling Rebs lost the toss and consequently batted first, but the Joltin' Joys opened the scoring in the second stanza with a tally through Jindoo Hussain who singled to left, stole second and third, then crossed the pan on a passed-ball.

In their half of the third, the Saints tallied again through George Souza, who opened the session with a sizzling bingle to right, pilfered second, and rode home on Artur Ozorio's drive to right-field. Ozorio took second standing up, but was nailed at third, becoming the second victim of the game's only double-killing, when Nick Beltrao's return of Zinho Gosano's toss to ease Dave Leonard caught the fleetfooted keystone in a close play.

The Ramblers were disposed of in 1-2-3 order in the second, third and fourth frames, but made a

## ALLOTMENT OF CHARITY FUNDS

### Monthly Meeting Of F.A. Council

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council held yesterday the following were appointed to serve on the Sub-Committee for the allotment of charity funds collected from the various charity competitions:

Messrs. T. G. Stokes, J. McKelvie, Walter H. Chen, Capt. R. E. Guest and Lieut. Cooper.

Regarding the invitations sent to players for the Macau Interport matches it was revealed that nearly all the players, with the exception of the two Eastern players and Bertie went to third on Dickie Alves' infield out George Souza to Stan Leonard.

With the Portuguese supporters clamouring for a marker, Johnny Fonseca slapped the pill to hurler Frankie Gonzalez to waste the only scoring opportunity the Portuguese had during the whole game.

Just to make sure, the Saints tallied again through George Souza in the fifth and brought home the bacon when they followed up by erasing the losers in 1-2-3 order in the last two frames.

**HUSSAIN'S PERFORMANCE**  
Jindoo Hussain came to light with his finest performance of the year, garnering two doubles and a single in his three trips to the plate. George Souza and Artur Ozorio shared the remaining four hits of the Saints' total of seven.

Leonard, Stan Leonard and "Ski" Powiaski having no success whatever with the bat. Frankie Gonzalez gave a steady hurling display to hold the losers to two measly singles, which were registered by Zinho and Bertie Gosano, and handled five fielding chances without error.

The dethroned champions also gave a fine display of defensive work but were much too weak in attack to trouble the ultimate winners.

## TIGHT GAME

The day's programme opened with a tight game between the Shell Oilers and Lucas which ended in favour of the latter by nine tallies to six. Oilers actually lead for half the distance but the Lucas outfit pulled themselves together to make up the leeway and take lead with a three-run rally in the sixth.

Triple baggers went to Jesse Arculli and Baby Abbas, the latter also connecting for a double, while the former added two singles to his bag to take batting honours.

The Chinese Baseball Club climbed into a triple tie with Recreio and the Cyclones, when they earned a hard fought 9-8 decision over Prexy Idefonso's Filipino aggregation.

With that end-of-the-season spirit very evident, both squads committed numerous miscues in the field, but the winners outhit the losers 8-3 to give Denham Crary his third straight pitching triumph.

Willie Wilson was the only batter in the game to connect more than once, his two safeties including a double. Crary, on the mound, fanned nine of the Filipino batters but was erratic in issuing six free passes.

## TWO EXHIBITION MATCHES

News of the week is that two exhibition matches have been arranged for Easter Monday when the Wildcats, champions of the Ladies' League, will meet a representative Rest squad and St. Joseph's, winners of the First Division, take on the Stanley Mohawks, flashy runners-up in the same competition.

The games will commence at 2.30 p.m., and the whole of the proceeds will go to the National Association for Relief of War Orphans (Warphans), Hongkong Branch, which was founded by China's "First Lady," Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

**ADDED ATTRACTION**  
The Mohawk tribe are giving their personal attention to the organizing of these matches and it is understood that an added attraction will be the attendance of a full band that will entertain the fans before, between and after the games.

## By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary,

Hong Kong, 7th April, 1941.

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## EFFICIENCY OF COLONY FOOTBALL REFEREES

### REMINDER TO CLUB SECRETARIES

"The general efficiency of referees was discussed and the Committee are satisfied that the games throughout the season have been concluded without complaint and therefore find no reason to take further action."

The above was the finding of the Special Referees' Sub-Committee, appointed by the Hongkong Football Association to investigate into the efficiency of referees, and who met on March 26, with Mr. T. G. Stokes in the chair. Other members of the committee were Mr. R. M. Omar, Mr. H. K. Lee, Capt. R. E. Guest, Lieut. Cooper and Mr. C. A. Goldenberg (Secretary).

After correspondence from the Referees' Association and a letter from a referee were read, the meeting discussed the question of referees' efficiency at length and it was decided that the following be submitted to the F.A. Council at its next meeting:

## RECENT MATCH

"With reference to the Kwong Wah and Eastern match we have gone into the matter fully.

"In regard to the only written complaint received this Committee come to the conclusion that the game was conducted in accordance with the Laws of the Game and that the referee carried out his duties to the best of his ability.

"The committee has received a report to the effect that his eyesight is normal.

"The committee recommend that

the revival of the system of reports on referees should be carried out during the forthcoming season."

The above minutes of the Sub-

Committee were unanimously passed by the HKFA Council which met yesterday evening.

## RIOT SEQUEL

A letter was received from the Shanghai F.A. informing the local body that in consequence of the football riot there recently 11 players had been suspended for life and appended a list which included the names of three who had appeared in the Colony.

In connexion with the Eastern football riot in Manila the Council decided that the matter be referred to the Emergency Sub-

Committee and, in the meantime, to write to the Philippines F.A.

asking for a report of the incident.

## Hockey:

## CLOSE GAMES IN ARMY "SIXES"

### FINALS TO BE PLAYED TODAY

The first round of the Army Six-a-Side Hockey Turnney was played off yesterday at Spookupoo, when many keenly contested games were seen.

The results were: 2/14 Punjab Regt. "A" beat Royal Signals, 2-0; R.A.O.C. lost to 5th A.A. "A" 0-1; 2/14 Punjab Regt. "B" beat 8th Heavy Battery "A" 3-0; M'sex "A" beat 8th Heavy Battery "B" 2-0; 5th A.A. "B" beat C. M. Hospital 3-0; R.E. "B" beat R.E. "C"; R.A.F. beat R.A.M.C. 5th A.A. "A" lost to 2/14 Punjab "A" by short corner; N. L. Smith and P. Wilson (St. John's) beat Leung and Chu 21-8, beat Chu and Liang 21-11, beat Choy and Choy 21-8.

The second round will be played at Spookupoo today, commencing at 2.15 p.m. when the following teams will participate: Punjab Regt. "A" v. Punjab "B"; Middlesex v. 5th A.A. "B"; 5th A.A. "C"; V.R.E. "B"; and R.A.F. v. R.E. "A".

The finals will be played off at 4.30 p.m. today.

## NO INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNEY

At a meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association held on Tuesday at the European YMCA, it was decided not to hold the International Tournament this year as

Volunteer and other duties made it difficult to organise matches.

It was decided to hold the Six-a-Side Tournament as last year, entries to close on April 16. Entries, accompanied by a fee of \$2 per team, should be sent to Mr. D. T. Smith, Hon. Secretary, at the Harbour Office.

## TENNIS LEAGUE ENTRIES

## REMINDER TO CLUB SECRETARIES

Hon. Secretaries of Tennis Clubs

are reminded that entries for the League must reach Mr. C. J. Tachia, (c/o Kowloon Cricket Club), Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong

Lawn Tennis Association, by Wednesday, April 16, accompanied by representatives' names (with addresses and telephone numbers) for each division entered.

Registered players for the various divisions must also be sent in according to New Rule No. 4 which states: "At least one week before the commencement of the League season every Club participating in the League shall register with the League Secretary the names of four players as the nucleus of every team entered in the A, B, and C Divisions. Such registered players will not be allowed during the season to play in any lower division than that for which they are registered."

## VALLEY TRAINING TIMES

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	Dis-tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
United Express	1	32.2	1.03	1.31	1.59	3.28
Hole In One	1	37	1.08	1.35	2.05	3.01
Happy Returns	1	34.2	1.07	1.39	2.08	2.92
Connieber	1	36	1.08	1.39	2.07	2.81
Centre Court	1	33	1.05	1.34	2.04	2.91
Devonian	1	31	1.01	1.31	2.00	2.9
Bugle	1	36	1.11	1.43	2.12	2.9
World Fair View	1	38	1.14	1.48	2.18	3.0
Australian Prince	1	32	1.07	1.39	2.06	2.72
Confusion Bay	1	34.4	1.08	1.40	2.084	2.84
National Courage & National Blessings	1	33.2	1.03.2	1.34	2.05.3	31.1
Casino & Macy	1	32	1.01.4	1.32	2.04	31
Amusement Tax	1	29.4	1.00.2	1.30.3	2.01.2	30.4
Galveston Bay	1	33.2	1.08	1.37	2.08	31
Gold Roc	1	32.2	1.03.3	1.34	2.07	30.2
National Victory	1	32	1.01.2	1.30.2	2.04	29
Jane Doe	1	38.3	1.14.2	1.48.2	2.21	32.3
Velvetlight	1	32	1.02	1.33	2.02	29.2
Newborn Star	1	38	1.09.2	—	2.08	—
Misty View	1	31	1.00.2	1.27	2.07	2.2
Starlight View	1	32	1.01	1.31	2.08	30
Triumphant Day	1	36.2	1.07.2	1.38.3	2.05	28.2
Just In Time	1	32	1.05	1.37	2.07	32.3
Sunlight View	1	31.2	1.02	1.34	2.06	32
Sydney Diamond	1	34	1.06.4	1.36.4	2.06.2	29.5
Crack Shot	1	35	1.08.1	1.40.2	2.09.2	29
Avon	1	33	1.06	1.37	2.04	31
King's Worthy	1	34.2	1.06.3	1.41	2.04	34.2
Cheerful Star	1	36	1.05.2	1.35	2.04	29
Johnber	1	34	—	1.35.3	—	—
Endeavour	1	28	1.01.1	1.31	1.59	28.4
Roolify	1	32.1	1.03	1.32	2.02	29.2
Santa Anita	1	35	1.07.2	1.37	2.05	27.3
Hopeful Star	1	35.2	1.07.4	1.39.3	31.4	—
Strathbannock	1	33.3	1.10	1.45	2.17.2	32.2
Brown Derby	1	38	1.10	1.40	2.08.3	28.3
Archber	1	37	1.10.3	1.41.3	2.10.4	29.1
A Grand Time	1	32.4	1.03.1	1.32.3	2.01.3	29
Marsh Warbler	1	35	1.08	1.40	2.08.4	28.4
Spicylight & Daylight	1	32	1.03	1.33	2.08	30
Saratoga	1	37.2	1.13.2	1.45	2.18	33
Iron Belle	1	32.2	1			

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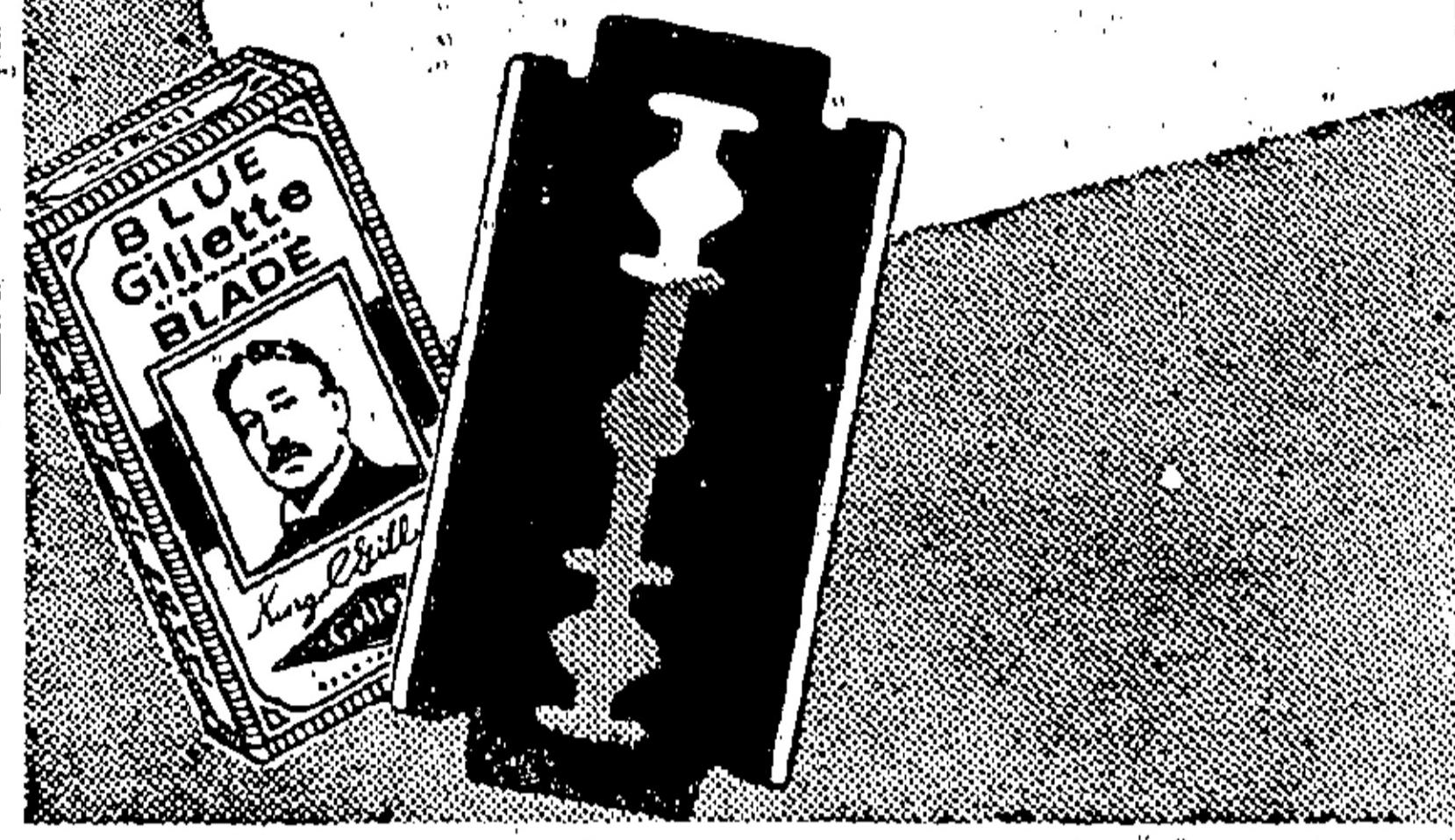
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## GENERAL

## GERMANS DRIVING WEDGE BETWEEN YUGOSLAVS AND GREEKS IN STRUMITZA VALLEY

## NAZI MOTORISED UNITS WIPE OUT IN ATTACK ON FORT LISSE

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—The statement in the Greek official communiqué that the Yugoslavs had fallen back on the Greek left wing, leaving it "uncovered" suggests that the Germans are pursuing the same strategy in the Balkans as in France where their drive against the "hinges" of the French and Belgian lines forced a wedge between the north and south Allied armies with results which the world knows, writes Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

It would seem that the Germans are now attempting to establish themselves between the Greeks and the Yugoslavs by a lateral thrust along the Strumitza Valley which, if successful, would give access to the Vardar Valley.

It might even be pushed to the Albanian borders so as to link up with the Italians.

But conditions in France were very different from those prevailing in Yugoslavia today. In France not only were there magnificent roads which made travel and transport easy but food and petrol were available at every village and at every cross-road.

In Southern Serbia, the roads are little better than tracks and both petrol and supplies will have to be carried with the advance.

## INITIAL SUCCESS

Also in France the wedge formed was so wide and strong that it was proof against the Allied attempts to cut across it. In Yugoslavia, its width is limited by the capacity of the road, which is indeed small.

The Germans appear to have met with some initial success against the Serbs and in the circumstances this was to be expected. Exposed to the whirlwind attack of the Nazi mechanised forces, inadequately equipped with anti-tank weapons and unable to count on effective air support, the Serbians appear to have had a cruel baptism of fire. But they are tough, and full of fight with marvellous recuperative powers.

It is, therefore, too early to attach undue importance to the German claims.

## AIMS OF DRIVES

ANKARA, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The main German drive against Yugoslavia is aimed at the vital communication centres of Nish and Skopje in the hope of cutting the Yugoslav army in two, according to usually well-informed sources in Ankara.

Another push is being made from Petrich in the extreme south-western corner of Bulgaria down the tributary of the Struma River towards Strumica, whence the Germans could thrust across the country towards the valley of the Vardar River.

These sources state that the German forces in Bulgaria consist of four groups. The first has headquarters at Svilengrad, on the Turkish frontier; the second is based on Kustendil near the Yugoslav frontier; the third, in north-west Bulgaria; and the fourth is being held in reserve near Sofia.

The German air force is attacking Yugoslavia with two main fleets operating from Rumania and Bulgaria.

## ROMA DENIAL

It was emphatically denied in Rome that Yugoslav troops have occupied Fiume, Zara and Scutari, says Rome radio.

## NAZIS WIPE OUT

Several hundred German troops attempting to move down the Nestor River in rubber boats were caught in the crossfire of Greek forces and wiped out, reports the Athens correspondent of the Independent French agency.

In Monday's fighting the German attacks were held and the Greeks counter-attacked at several points.

The Germans carried out waves of attacks lasting six hours against Periferi fort. The Greeks defending were outnumbered five to one.

Once the Germans succeeded in getting a foothold in the fort, as the Greek High Command communiqué states, but they were flung out after a violent struggle.

## TANKS DESTROYED

Three attacks were made against the fort of Lisse the last of which was particularly heavy. Each time the Germans were forced to withdraw.

Twelve German tanks were destroyed and several prisoners taken when attacks on the fort of Lisse

## KING LEOPOLD'S BIRTHDAY

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—King Leopold of the Belgians, whose birthday occurred yesterday, was described as "our prisoner King" in an Order of the Day issued to his troops by General Van Strijdock de Burkel, Commander of the Belgian forces in Great Britain.

He urged his men to "work, train and prepare for victory. We shall chase the Boche, we shall deliver our King, we shall free Belgium who will rise again great, united and prosperous."

## MEXICAN MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY

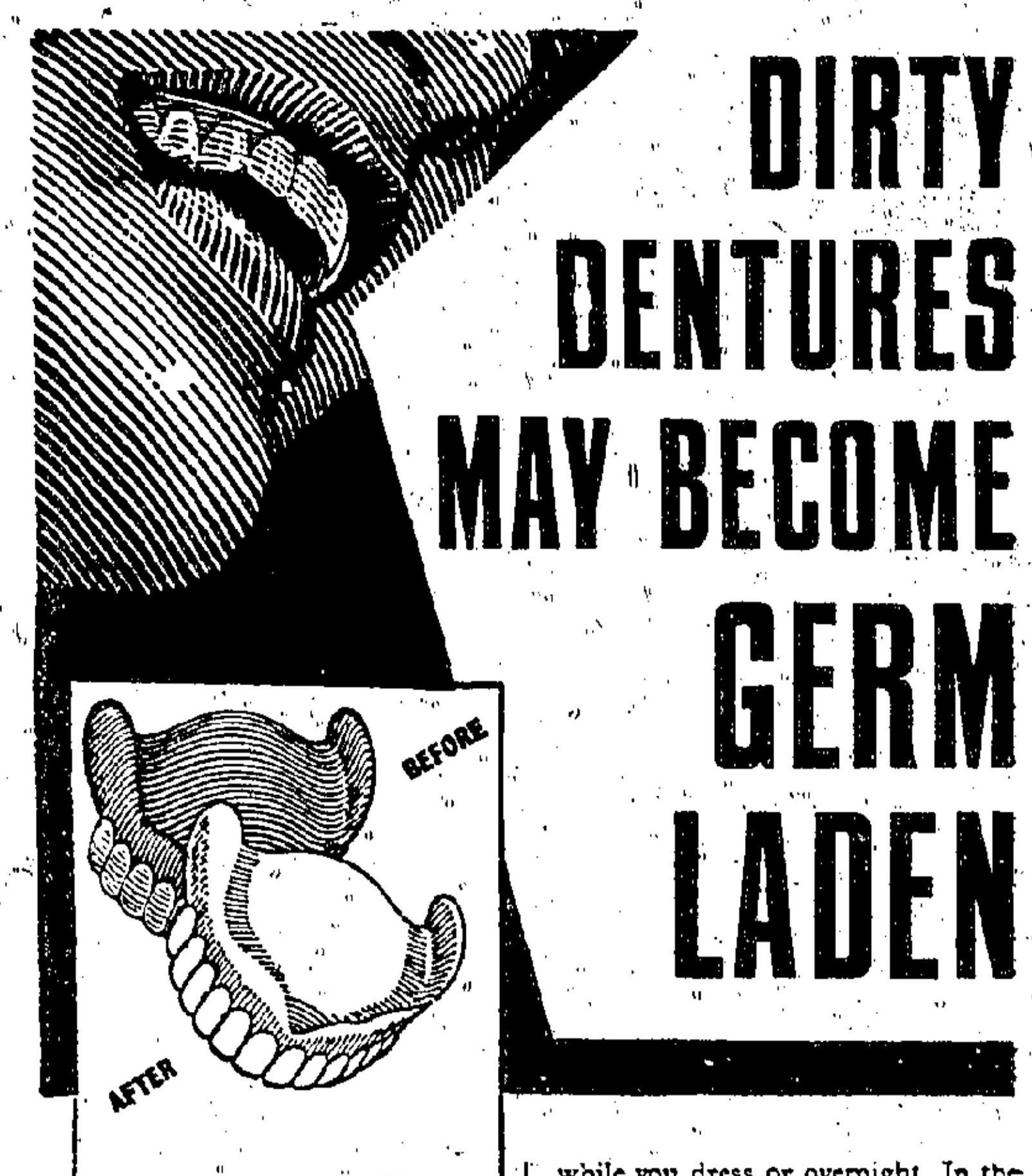
LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs has sent a message of sympathy with Greece and Yugoslavia to the Mexican Consul General here yesterday.

The message says Mexico has no diplomatic relations with Greece and Yugoslavia but an official link is not required by two peoples for one to feel moved when the other is dragged into a conflict for the development of which it has no blame.

## BERLIN INTRIGUED BY SOVIET ACTION

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Russo-Yugoslav Pact made a great impression on Berlin.

Political circles there were excitedly speculating on the reason of the Russian action which was "hardly likely to give Berlin the impression that Russia is particularly friendly," states the Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm's *tidningen*.



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## C-IN-C PLEASED WITH IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN THE COLONY'S DEFENCES

"THE ONLY WAY WE CAN ENSURE AGAINST ATTACK IN HONGKONG IS TO CONVINCE ANY WOULD-BE ATTACKER that such an operation would be too costly. Our first duty, therefore, is to ensure that all defence preparations are so maintained as to be ready at any moment to work at the highest degree of efficiency. The defences are already strong; much has been done and all credit is due to those responsible, but we must never rest satisfied with the stage that the preparations have reached," said SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East, in a press communiqué yesterday.

The communiqué follows:

Since my last visit in January we have had many successes in the Mediterranean and Africa. In North Africa the proportion of enemy prisoners to our total casualties must constitute a world record; most of the so-called Italian Empire of East Africa is in our hands; in the Eastern Mediterranean one of our fleets has recently sunk five Italian warships without sustaining any damage.

During the last few days, however, events in the Balkans remind us that the war is not yet over and that in the same way as the British people refused to be disheartened by the events in France in May and June last year, and faced apparent disaster with high spirit and calm resolution, so now we must maintain a balanced judgment and not be carried away by success.

### HARD FIGHTING

Admiral Cunningham and his men are not going to rest content with sinking three cruisers and after the Italian fleet has been disposed of there will remain many German ships to be sunk or otherwise destroyed. Hard fighting awaits us in Greece and our aeroplanes do not yet fly unmolested on the Rhine.

This is no time to put on our coats as the President of the U.S.A. said a few days ago, this is no part-time war; until we have eradicated Hitler and his gangsters, and so saved the world from disaster, we may not rest nor relax.

Hongkong threatens no one—not did Yugoslavia. Strength is the only guarantee against aggression and with the world as it is today, only the strong have friends.

What everyone must remember is that defence is not the concern merely of a Navy, an Army and an Air Force. No place can be considered as being adequately protected unless every man and woman takes his or her full share in active or passive defence.

### CIVIL MILITARY ACCORD

During my two visits to Hongkong I have been very pleased to find that the civil and military authorities are in full co-operation and that all sections of the community are working together admirably.

Secondly, we must ensure that every possible contribution is being made to assist other parts of the Empire and our Allies and that every resource available locally is being used to its fullest extent. Here again much is being done and I was very pleased to see on my arrival a new ship already launched.

Thirdly, we must reduce by every possible means demands for shipping tonnage to leave it free for conveyance of food and munitions to places more hardly pressed. Remember that people in England are on strict rations of such things as sugar, tea, butter and jam; that women and children are being subjected to more than mere discomfort by air attacks. Every pound of imported goods you can spare means more space available to provide urgent necessities elsewhere.

### WAR EFFORT

Here is a question that everyone should be continually asking himself or herself "Is there any more that I can do to help on the war effort?" No nobler cause than that for which the British Empire is now fighting has ever inspired mankind. Let us ensure that we go to sleep each night secure in the knowledge that during the day we have made our full contribution towards the struggle, confident that should the call come we shall not be found wanting, believing that when the final triumph over the forces of evil has been achieved we shall be able to rest content in the knowledge that as we shared in the toil and sacrifice so we are entitled to share in the glory of victory.

### VISIT TO AUSTRALIA

Since his last visit to Hongkong, Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief, Far East, has been to Australia where he has been at first hand the impressive increase in



SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM

production of Australian aeroplanes and other war material.

From what he there saw of the Australian forces in training, it does not surprise him that the Australian brigade which recently landed in Singapore has very quickly made friends with the Chinese population of Malaya; in proof of the reality of this friendship the Malayan Chinese have erected a special tea garden for the benefit of the Australian troops who are stationed near their homes.

### COLONY'S DEFENCE

The Commander-in-Chief devoted his first trip to Hongkong to the task of becoming generally acquainted with the terrain and to the discussion of the problems of the Colony's defence: during his second trip he has welcomed the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with the personnel, both civil and military, charged with the administration of Hongkong.

During his stay, for example, he has had tea with the Indian officers of the garrison, attended a meeting of the Rifle Association, inspected two very smart companies of Chinese Royal Engineers, and had the chance of seeing at first hand the work of many of the civil defence departments.

### MUCH PROGRESS MADE

And he was particularly pleased to have the opportunity of lunching with leading representatives of the local Chinese community.

He has observed with considerable satisfaction the progress that has been made in Hongkong since his last visit. Although much still remains to be done, much has been and is being achieved: he looks forward to evidence of continued improvements on his next visit to Hongkong.

### NEW POLICE CHIEF ARRIVES

Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, formerly Senior Superintendent, Malayan Police Service, arrived in Hongkong yesterday to take up his new appointment as Commissioner of Police.



Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans seen with Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police.

### Comforts For Scotsmen In Services

A recent appeal by the Chieftain of Hongkong St. Andrews Society for donations to be remitted Home for the purchase of comforts to Scotsmen serving in His Majesty's Forces, resulted in the collection of \$5,737.90.

At a recent meeting of the General Committee of the Society, it was decided to send the equivalent of the above sum, namely, £285.12.7d to the Scottish Red Cross Society, Glasgow, to be devoted towards the provision of parcels for Scottish Prisoners of War serving with the Army, Navy and Royal Air Force.

The Chieftain wishes to thank those members of St. Andrews Society who so generously contributed.

### GENERAL

### A.R.P. ORDERS

APRIL 9, 1941

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

#### BLACKOUT EXERCISE

A blackout exercise will be held from sunset to 22.00 hrs. on Thursday, April 17. All Wardens will parade under instructions from Divisional Wardens.

#### HONORARY WARDEN

Mr. Leung Chuck-wan has been appointed Honorary Divisional Warden in recognition of the valuable assistance he has rendered to the A.R.P. Organisation in the Colony of Hongkong.

#### STRENGTH-DECRAFSE

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:

Yaumati—2601 Miss Ho Shuk-yin, 2233 Li Kee-show, 3480 Chiu Wal-kwai, Shamshui-po—1917 Miss Tin Man, Central—222 Ho Moon, 281 Lam Tak-lim and 2858 H. F. Sommers, Jr. Quarry Bay—2866 Leung Wal-man, Eastern—2935 To Yuk-shing, 1677 Lai Fun-chin, 718 Sun Chin-shi, 833 Shek Chol-chee. Struck off the Strength—2863 Cheung Po-ming, Quarry Bay, 720 Yuen Kwok-kwan, Kowloon City, 736 Wong Nam-shan, Eastern, 736 So Chol-tong, Eastern.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

2153 F. Wong, Kowloon City, to 44 Peel Street, Top Floor, Central, 3541 Ding Fong-hang, Aberdeen, to 196 The Peak, Gough Hill.

#### APPOINTMENTS

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall by kind permission of the Very Reverend Dean at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, April 25.

His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., Patron of the Association, has graciously intimated his intention of being present.

The Officers and Members of the Council and Executive Committee of the Association hope that all life and ordinary members of the Association will attend.

The Agenda will include the following items:—To receive and to consider the reports and accounts for the past year; To review and, if thought fit, to revise the policy of the Association; To review and, if thought fit, to revise the Constitution; To elect a Patron or Patrons, President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurers, Auditors and Secretaries; To appoint the Council, the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee; To decide any question of general policy or administration raised upon notice given by any member.

#### COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Council of the Association is to be held at 5.15 on Friday, April 18, in the Legislative Council Chamber by kind permission of the Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

It is hoped that all members of Council will endeavour to attend in order to give the Executive Committee the benefit of their advice and guidance in connexion with the activities in the second year of the Association's work.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:—To confirm the minutes of the last meeting; To receive and consider the report of the Executive Committee on work done by that body; To approve and, if thought fit, pass the Annual Balance Sheets and Statement of Accounts submitted by the Executive Committee; To discuss the financial position of the Association and consider any recommendations with respect to the same; To discuss (a) the provision of a sanatorium and (b) Christmas Seals; To consider any matter which the Executive Committee or any member of the Association may bring before the meeting; To fix date of next meeting.

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An order has been issued and came into force at 2 p.m. today under the Public Revenue Protection Ordinance which applies the provisions of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance, "with the exception of Parts II, III, and IV thereof, to "toilet preparations."

Under this order all "toilet preparations" are dutiable, and duty must be paid upon all stocks in the Colony in other than bonded storage. Dealers, importers, manufacturers and retailers must declare their stocks of goods of this type forthwith to me at this office and pay duty thereon. Stocks in bonded storage or in the hands of manufacturers will be subject to the provisions of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance and to the regulations made thereunder. The sale of "toilet preparations" upon which duty has not been paid, is illegal as from 2 p.m. today.

For the convenience of holders of stocks of these goods and the issue of duty paid labels the Imports and Exports Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon daily during the Easter holidays.

E. W. HAMILTON,  
Superintendent of  
Imports & Exports.  
Dated 10th April, 1941.

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SOVIET RUSSIA &  
THE BALKANS

"THE AIMS of Soviet Russia will prove of immense importance in this Balkan war," said a well-known authority on international affairs in London on Tuesday, when he gave a striking analysis of the war situation in the Middle East. The truth of this view cannot be too strongly emphasised. While the world watches the progress of this new phase in the struggle for freedom against ruthless aggression, it is also well aware that the rather obscure policies of certain countries, who are directly concerned in what is taking place in the Balkans or who have acquired important interests in that region, will now have to be clarified. In other words, has the time now arrived for Soviet Russia to define her attitude towards a conflict which is steadily spreading its tentacles over the whole world? Is the enigma of the Kremlin to be solved? Indications are not wanting which make it possible at least to offer some speculation in answer to these queries.

ANY CONCLUSIONS to be drawn from recent events cannot, of course, be based on the strength of Russia's relations with the Axis Powers, as provided for in their non-aggression pact, but how far Russia will permit this "stand-off" relationship to militate against her own interests. In the Balkans it is evident that the German move has brought about a definite clash of interests. Russia's prompt recognition of this is shown in the pact of friendship which she held out immediately to Yugoslavia, almost simultaneously with the German decision to invade that country, with the object, as military experts have pointed out, of attacking Greece through the backdoor. This gesture of holding out the hand of friendship to a nation which administered the severest rebuff to Herr Hitler in the diplomatic field thus becomes most significant. If it was meant to

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,  
HONG KONG.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Board Room of The Hong Kong Jockey Club, 1st Floor, Exchange Building on Friday, 18th April, 1941, at 5.30 p.m.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Secretaries & Treasurers.

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## BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on FRIDAY, SATURDAY & MONDAY, the 11th, 12th & 14th April, 1941. (Easter Holidays) Hongkong, 7th April, 1941.

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## THE HONG KONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

## Notice to Shareholders.

Notice is hereby given that the ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 24th April, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and re-electing Directors and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th April to 24th April 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
H. DA LUZ,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th April, 1941.

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## ISSUE OF WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES PROPOSED FOR HONGKONG

THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF LOW-SALARIED CLERKS AND OTHER WORKERS, who are more than keen to contribute their Empire to win the war, but who, because of the smallness of the amount they are able to contribute, hesitate to send it to any organised funds.

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**PAINLESS METHOD**

When Great Britain needs every dollar she can lay her hands on, it is up to this Colony to leave no stone unturned to raise as much funds possible for "the common cause".

The question of Government controlled lotteries was frowned upon by the local authorities when it was brought up some time ago as, under the local Gambling Ordinance, lotteries are illegal—even if conducted for the purpose of raising war funds. Further objection to this method of inducing the public to part with their money was voiced by Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. In his Church magazine last month,

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## INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION

Since the advent of spring, Hunan has been favoured with ideal weather conditions thereby giving rise to hopes for a bumper harvest this year.

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The plan has been distributed to the 75 districts of the province, and with its execution the yield of the rice crop this year is expected to be increased by 4,234,000 more piculs.—(Central News)

convey a warning to the German Fuehrer, the manner in which Herr Hitler has chosen to ignore it might show one of two things—either that Herr Hitler is sure of his hold on Moscow and, therefore, is convinced that M. Stalin will not oppose him, or that, in his blind fury over the setbacks he has received, he is also well aware that the rather obscure policies of certain countries, who are directly concerned in what is taking place in the Balkans or who have acquired important interests in that region, will now have to be clarified. In

THE REAL CLUE to this uncertainty of which way Soviet policy is shifting may lie in the results of the flying visit Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, has made to Moscow and, the Axis capitals. There is no doubt that one clear object of Mr. Matsuoka's visit to Berlin was to impress upon Herr Hitler the need for using his influence on M. Stalin in order to secure a non-aggression pact between Russia and Japan. This must, indeed, have been one of Mr. Matsuoka's conditions, if Herr Hitler insisted on Japan taking a more active role in the Axis adventure. Doubts about such an eventuality have, however, arisen not only in the outside world, but in Japan itself, where a section of public opinion seems to be in strong opposition to relying too much on the possibility of an adjustment of relations with Soviet Russia, in consequence of which Japan might be further involved in assisting the Axis Powers. From the Soviet capital itself, there has been no indication of any inclination to take orders from Berlin on this issue. Though there is some food for thought in the suggestion that Mr. Matsuoka may prolong his stay as M. Stalin's guest, what cannot be overlooked in trying to solve the riddle of the Kremlin is

In writing this letter, it is not my intention to give an impression that Miss Harrop does not know her job well. As a matter of fact, I think she has done very well so far, despite the many difficulties.

The answer is very simple. These girls are practically the same as the other "girls." The only difference is that, while each of the girls at West Point and at the spy brothels are paying about \$40 every month for "protection fees," these girls are not paying anything. The reason is that their business is legitimate in the eyes of the law.

In writing this letter, it is not my intention to give an impression that Miss Harrop does not know her job well. As a matter of fact, I think she has done very well so far, despite the many difficulties.

Yours, etc.

A. HONGKONG PLAYBOY.

## YELLOW RIVER DYKES

SHANGHAI, Apr. 9 (Reuters)—The Nanking regime is seeking the co-operation of the Chungking Government regarding the problem of repairing the Yellow River dykes quickly in order to prevent serious floods in Kiangsu and Anhwei, according to Chinese press reports.

A Nanking official is reported to have stated that Chungking must co-operate since some of the dykes are in Chungking-controlled areas.

It is stated, however, that hitherto no telegraphic request has been formally made by Nanking to Chungking.

that the Soviet has openly shown her resentment of the German thrust in the Balkans. In such a mood, it is doubtful whether she will be prepared to agree to a situation which will effectively tie her hands in the East and the West.

## GRAND HOLIDAY ATTRACTION FOR KING'S THEATRE

## Fast-Paced Action in "The Mark Of Zorro"

"The Mark of Zorro," a story of old, aristocratic Spanish California, made famous by the late Douglas Fairbanks, returns to the screen once more to entertain local movie audiences as a holiday attraction at the King's Theatre.

The California of the dashing caballero and the sleepy peon seethes with the indignation of one and all as a greedy usurper rules the land from the hacienda of the governor. The peasants tremble at the whip of the tax-collector. The well-to-do landowners dare not question the authority of the villainous Luis Quintero (J. Edward Bromberg) and his sabre-waving Lieutenant (Basil Rathbone).

On the scene arrives Don Diego, son of the deposed Governor, returned from Spain to find the land of growing vines and fat babies suffering under the heel of the fat alcalde. Diego (Tyrone Power) meets first the lieutenant, then the alcaldes, then the latter's flirtatious wife (Gale Sondergaard). He glimpses for a second the fair senorita (Linda Darnell).

## PERIOD OF SECLUSION

The senorita is warned by the Senora that it takes but little effort for one so young to be whisked away to a convent for another period of seclusion, there to cool her romantic blood.

She rebels and the story enfolds at a faster and faster pace. Diego becomes the bandit Zorro. Romantically, offering a rose, he captures the fair senorita's heart. The flirtatious Senora seeks his approval of her own charms. She wants to run away with him to Madrid.

There are a host of other characters, principal among them Eugene Pallette in another Friar Tuck role. There is action galore, sword-play, suspense, everything—in short—that makes for a grand show.

In the end—(Don't try to guess!)—Zorro gets his girl, and all's well that ends well.

## DEATH MYSTERY

Mystery surrounds the death of an unidentified Chinese, about 40 years of age, whose body was found on a hillside near San U Ling village in Shunghui District last Friday.

An examination of the body revealed two bullet-slugs in the back of the head that were apparently discharged from a large game-hunting gun.

Police believe the man may have been accidentally shot by hunters.

## POLICE TRAINING INSTITUTE

A Police Training Institute has been established in Kwangsi by the Kwangsi Provincial Government with Mr. Chiu Chang-wel, Kwangsi Commissioner of Civil Affairs, as director. Classwork will begin on April 16.—(Central News)

## DR. QUO TAI-CHI REITERATES CHINA'S WAR AIM

"China is as determined to see things through until complete victory for Democratic civilisation as Britain and America can be," declared the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, in London yesterday. Dr. Quo added: "And no specious promises or military pressure can alter that fixed resolve."

The Ambassador was making his last public appearance in London before his return to China to become Foreign Minister.

He was speaking at the Anglo-Chinese luncheon in aid of the Red Cross Fund and the Chinese War Relief Fund.

The returning Ambassador will be succeeded by Dr. Wellington Koo, and remarked that he regarded his journey to China as simply going from one front to another in the same war.

Dr. Quo said Britain and China had a lot in common.

The British and Chinese are supposed to be a bit hard to know. The British are supposed to be phlegmatic and the Chinese inscrutable but when we come to know each other, responsiveness in human kindness is found to be the chief trait.

Britain and China had a lot to learn from each other, though some said they were the two most satisfied and self-sufficient peoples mankind had ever known and the least inclined to think they could learn anything from anybody else.

**PRESS TRIBUTE.**  
Few ambassadors have had so remarkable an experience as Dr. Quo

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1941.

## GERMAN ATTEMPT TO END TWO-FRONT WAR BEFORE IT BECOMES A MENACE

"The German army will make every effort to end the war on two fronts before it has had time to develop into a really serious menace, and this effort of theirs will no doubt be immensely formidable," said MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., when he analysed the war situation in the Middle East and the Balkans in a broadcast from London yesterday.

"We cannot look at the Balkans," declared Mr. Bartlett, "without extending our view to Africa. There we see German armoured forces in Libya and they will have to be carefully watched."

## NO RISKS

Mr. Bartlett made it clear that General Wavell was not taking any gigantic risks. He was now facing an enemy who was more formidable than the old one.

"At all events he cannot afford to take liberties with the Germans which he took with the Italians until he has tested the Germans," he declared.

"That is on the debit side, but there is an enormous side too. We have reached Addis Ababa and the campaign in East Africa is near its end. When it does we shall be able to release more troops and supplies for the Balkans. We may see American ships carrying ammunition straight to the backdoor of the Near and Middle East which is Suez."

"In every theatre of war the long term prospect is brighter than the short term. Let us take the short distance view for the moment. Germany is faced with a two-front war and that is very disagreeable to her."

"She is taking a risk of a two-front war. How she did so was by imparting terrific violence as she did in her campaign in Poland, and it is probable that she will carry out the same campaign today, but she has not caught Yugoslavia as unprepared as Poland was and she has to reckon with the land forces in the actual theatre of war, she has to reckon with communication in that theatre and also with bombing."

## SCOPE OF GERMAN DRIVE

"The very last thing I want is that any words of mine should have the effect of minimising the scope and drive of the German armoured forces back by the power of the Luftwaffe against armies not properly equipped for modern warfare as her own. I speak here, of course, of the Greek and Yugoslav armies, and not of the British army, which is excellently equipped."

"The German army will make every effort to end the war on two fronts before it has had time to develop into a really serious menace, and this effort of theirs would no doubt be immensely formidable."

"Just a word now about the Yugoslav army," said Mr. Bartlett in conclusion. "I know something of the great fighting quality of the Serbs. Today the Serbs have expanded into Yugoslavia and with Croates, Slavs, Bosnians and Montenegrins added to her forces she has a strong army, but it is not the numerical strength that is the main point. The shortage of tanks, artillery and anti-tank artillery is serious. But it is not nearly so serious in a country consisting of open plains like Poland."

"These South-Slav people (that is the meaning of the word Yugoslavia) have never lacked good generals. Their general staff is studying the war carefully and I look forward to seeing the present generation producing men of the quality of the illustrious figures of generations ago."

## \$15,000 BROOCH LOST

The loss of a diamond brooch, valued at \$15,000, somewhere between No. 403 Repulse Bay Road and No. 517 The Peak between 7.30 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Tuesday had been reported to the Police. The brooch is shaped like half of an R.A.F. officer's wing badge studded with diamonds set in platinum.

## COLONY THANKED

A telegram has been received through the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from the Lord Mayor of London acknowledging receipt of £115,78 recently remitted by the B.W.O.F. from the proceeds of the Hongkong Police Force and Police Reserve Dance, in aid of air raid distress.

The telegram reads: "Gratefully acknowledge gift my fund convey donor sincere appreciation."

## Harder Fight For Defence Of Cyreneica And Egypt

Continued from Page 1

to the Balkans, that Greece had been ready to fight alone, if necessary. The British and Imperial Forces which had landed there had not yet been in action.

Mr. Churchill then described how German troops had poured into Bulgaria in large numbers. One of the objectives was Salonika which was entered at 4 a.m. yesterday.

"It has never been our intention or policy to see the war carried into the Balkans," said Mr. Churchill who went on to state that Mr. Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and General Sir John Dill, would have gone to Belgrade but were refused permission by Prince Paul, the then Senior Regent.

If these three Balkan States had stood together they would have had 60 to 70 divisions and with good planning might have stopped the Germans and would, in any case, have long delayed them.

### AT ALL COSTS

Allied aid would necessarily have to be limited but the Greek Prime Minister had told Mr. Eden that Greece would, at all costs, defend her frontier and native soil and that she would fight to the death against Italy and Germany.

"Our duty was clear," added Mr. Churchill. "We were bound in honour to give all the aid in our power and if the Greeks were to face the fury of the Huns the British Empire was resolved to stand by her. Therefore, in the first weeks of March we made a military agreement with Greece and considerable forces of men and material were sent."

Mr. Churchill here revealed that PRINCE PAUL refused to enter into Staff talks with either GREECE, TURKEY or BRITAIN.

Turning to YUGOSLAVIA, the Premier said that the Yugoslav Government had signed the Tripartite Pact but the people had seen their peril and had resolved to defend their freedom.

The open city of Belgrade had now been laid in ashes and the

## SOFIA OBJECTIVES HEAVILY ATTACKED BY THE R.A.F.

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Heavy raids by formations of R.A.F. bombers on enemy positions in Bulgaria during the night of April 6 are reported in a communiqué issued by the headquarters of the British forces in Greece.

It says that a railway junction and marshalling yards in Sofia, were attacked successfully, direct hits causing many fires and explosions in the railway yards and industrial areas. Railway trucks were seen to be hurled into the air.

Lorries in the Struma Valley road were machine-gunned. Another formation bombed the railway station at Gorna Djumaya where fires were started.

At Smilni, the railway station and road junction, a motor transport convoy and troop concentrations were attacked. Bombs strad-

## ANGLO-AMERICAN NAVAL LIAISON

### Purchases, Repairs To Be Expedited

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Under-Secretary of the Navy, Mr. James Forrestal, is leaving for Britain in about a fortnight "to establish close liaison" between the Navy Department and the British Admiralty on matters connected with the Lease and Lend programme.

In making this announcement, the Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, said that the Navy Department was handling purchases of material in the United States for the British Navy under the Lease and Lend Act and was also undertaking repairs to British warships.

"Efforts are being made very rapidly to establish suitable uniformity in naval equipment," added Colonel Knox, who explained that the object was to expedite purchases and repairs.

One of the chief purposes of Mr. Forrestal's trip to Britain, according to naval circles, would be to see if some method could be found whereby the British could use more American naval weapons and other equipment not standard in the Royal Navy.

## A NEW EXPERIMENT



Concrete bunding being erected on a block of Chinese tenement houses in Lockhart Road, Wanchai, near the National Theatre.

—(Sun Ying Ming).

## "If Balloon Goes Up In The Pacific": C-in-C On S'pore Base

SINGAPORE, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—

Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, told a gathering of Pressmen yesterday that "if balloon goes up in the Pacific, we will get powerful naval reinforcements and get them quickly regardless of whether the United States comes in with us."

Sir Geoffrey said that he has not received or expected reinforcements for his units at present safeguarding the Eastern seas, and Hongkong and the Singapore bases, but in the event of emergency, units would come quickly enough and in sufficient strength to permit effective defensive actions, while a full battle fleet could reach Singapore within two months.

He is of the opinion that there will be no difficulty in accommodating any part of the U.S. Fleet at Singapore base tomorrow. If the occasion demanded as the stronghold is prepared to serve a battle force as a supply, repair and operating base.

### Refugees In The Colony

An increase of 254 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps etc., in the urban and rural areas is recorded in the returns for the week ending on April 5.

**Urban Areas:**

King's Park — 1,303 against 1,308 on March 29.

Ma Tau Chung — 1,572 against 1,499 on March 29.

North Point — 1,522 against 1,525 on March 29.

Morrison Hill — 518 against 519 on March 29.

**Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):**

Tai Hang — 2,557 against 2,557 on March 29.

Ngau Tau Kok — 801 against 802 on March 29.

**Rural Areas:**

Kam Tin — 2,067 against 1,889 on March 29.

Farming Children's Camp — 327 against 314 on March 29.

Total — 10,667 against 10,413 on March 29.

### Verdict Of Suicide Recorded

BOMBAY, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—A verdict of suicide was recorded at the inquest into the death of Hiroji Uemura, manager of the Bombay branch of the N.Y.K., who was found dead at his residence.

It was revealed at the inquest that the body was discovered hanging in the bath-room in the flat occupied by Uemura.

targets all right and bombed and stayed to watch the results. Then we had a crack at the convoys on the road down the Struma Valley, machine-gunning them. After that we made for home."

"The anti-aircraft fire was pretty intense but we got to our

## Sandbags A "Sheer Waste Of Money": Experiments With Bunding In H.K.

BY A STAFF REPORTER

THE LOCAL A.R.P. DEPARTMENT IS, AT LONG LAST, EXPERIMENTING WITH (OR, CAN IT BE SAID, ADOPTING?) A NEW METHOD OF ACCORDING PROTECTION TO BUILDINGS, WHICH IS MORE DURABLE AND, IN THE LONG RUN, MORE ECONOMICAL THAN THE USE OF SAND-BAGS. THIS NEW FORM, KNOWN AS BUNDING, HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY NEARLY ALL THE LEADING CITIES, INCLUDING SINGAPORE, AFTER IT HAD BEEN FOUND TO BE AS EFFECTIVE AS THE OLD-FASHIONED AND COSTLY SAND-

BAGS.

Bunding consists of cement, brick or wooden walls which are easily built and quickly raised. They are usually five feet high and erected between pillars of a building—as in the case of sandbags. They afford the same protection as sandbags—offset the effects of bomb concussions and protection against splinters—with the additional advantage of not being subject to deterioration as sandbags.

### BIG SAVING

WHEN IT IS REALISED THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE SANDBAG WALLS PUT UP ON THE OUTSIDE OF IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS HAVE, SINCE THEIR ERECTION, BEEN CHANGED AT LEAST TWICE; AND THAT THE COST OF GUNNY BAGS IS BETWEEN 17 TO 20 CENTS EACH AND THAT ONE CUBIC YARD OF SAND, COSTING \$1.50, WILL ONLY FILL 50 OF THESE BAGS, THE SAVINGS EFFECTED COULD READILY BE SEEN.

AS STATED ABOVE, BUNDING MAY BE OF CEMENT, BRICK OR WOOD. FOR THE CEMENT VARIETY, A LITTLE CEMENT, LIME AND SAND ARE ALL THAT IS REQUIRED. THESE MATERIALS COULD EASILY BE BROUGHT TO THE DOOR AND THE BLOCKS THAT FORM THE BUNDING WALLS BUILT RIGHT ON THE SPOT, IN SPECIALLY-MADE MOULDS, THE DESIGN OF WHICH IS STANDARDISED.

THE BRICK VARIETY, THOUGH SLIGHTLY CHEAPER, IS AS STRONG AS THE CEMENT TYPE BUT TAKES LONGER TO BUILD.

WOODEN BUND, CONSISTS OF TWO PLATES OF WOODEN PLANKS A FOOT OR 18 INCHES APART, WITH SAND FILLED IN BETWEEN.

### WORSE THAN USELESS

THE CONSENSUS OF OPINION OF THOSE APPROACHED BY A HONGKONG DAILY PRESS REPORTER ON THE QUESTION OF SANDBAG WALLS WAS THAT THESE ARE WORSE THAN USELESS, WHEN THE POSSIBILITY OF BEING INVOLVED IN ACTUAL WARFARE IS AS REMOTE AS IN HONGKONG.

"THESE SANDBAG ERECTIONS ARE A SHEER WASTE OF MONEY," SAID A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL. "THOSE OUTSIDE MY OFFICE HAVE ALREADY BEEN CHANGED ONCE, AND WILL SOON HAVE TO BE CHANGED AGAIN."

## EIGHT GOALS FOR CLUB

CLUB GAVE A SEVERE TROWNING TO KWONG WAH, IN A FIRST DIVISION FOOTBALL MATCH YESTERDAY WINNING BY EIGHT CLEAR GOALS.

IN THE FIRST HALF CLUB SCORED THROUGH RIERTSEN AND FOWLER.

AFTER THE INTERVAL, THE CHINESE FELL AWAY BADLY AND CLUB NETTED THROUGH FOWLER (3), RIERTSEN (2) AND BOND.

FOR THE LOSERS, LEE KWOK-KEE, IN GOAL, GAVE A STERLING DISPLAY.

CLUB—ODELL, MILLINGTON, SLOAN; ODELL, UPTON, SKINNER; HAYNES, FOWLER, BOND AND RIERTSEN.

THE PLAINTIFF WAS CHAN YUN-LAN, WHO WAS REPRESENTED BY MR. GEORGE SHE, INSTRUCTED BY MR. C. Y. KWAN, AND THE DEFENDANTS CITED WERE WU KIANG-KWONG, WU WING-HONG AND WU CHUNG-MEI.

MR. SHE SAID: "I APPEAR ON BEHALF OF PLAINTIFF CHAN YUN-LAN, TO MOVE THAT LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION MAY BE GRANTED TO HER FROM THE ESTATE OF THE LATE LI SHAU-WAH, CONCUBINE DECEASED, WHO DIED ON SEPT. 19, 1939. THE GROUND FOR THIS MOTION IS THAT PLAINTIFF IS A CREDITOR OF THE SAID DECEASED."

### PERSONS CITED

MR. SHE ADDED: "ANOTHER GROUND WAS THAT THE HUSBAND AND CHILDREN OF THE DECEASED HAD TAKEN NO STEP TO ADMINISTRATE THE ESTATE. PERSONS HAD BEEN CITED IN THE CITATIONS AND THESE HAD BEEN DULY SERVED BUT THEY HAD NOT COME FORWARD."

IN GRANTING THE MOTION HIS LORDSHIP SAID THAT AS NO STEPS HAD BEEN TAKEN IN THE PAST 18 MONTHS IN OBTAINING ADMINISTRATION BY THOSE WHO NORMALLY HAVE CHARGE OF THE DUTY, PLAINTIFF, AS CREDITOR OF THE DECEASED, WAS ENTITLED TO THE GRANT OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

There was a very large attendance and the prayers were led by Muvi Mohamed Noor Shah who also delivered a lecture on the life of the Holy Prophet.

Prayers for world peace and for success to the Allied cause were also offered by the congregation.

## BIRTHDAY OF HOLY PROPHET MOHAMMED

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTHDAY OF THE HOLY PROPHET MOHAMMED WAS CELEBRATED BY THE LOCAL MUSLIM COMMUNITY WITH A MAULID SHARIF (PRAYER SERVICE) AT THE MASQUE, SHELLY STREET, LAST NIGHT.

## PASSION MUSIC

A SONG SERVICE WAS HELD IN ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL YESTERDAY WHEN THE CHOIR RENDERED A PROGRAMME OF PASSION MUSIC WITH HYMNS.

THE PROGRAMME INCLUDED THE SINGING OF BACH'S "JESUS CALLED UNTO THEM THE TWELVE," FREUDEN AND FUGUE IN D. MINOR AND A SELECTION FROM BRAHMS'S REQUIEM. HOW LOVELY ARE THY DWELLING FAIR!" DEAN WILSON CONDUCTED THE SERVICE.

## REGISTRY WEDDING

AT THE REGISTRY SUPREME COURT, YESTERDAY MISS CHAN MO-CHING, OF NO. 55 QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, FIRST FLOOR, WAS MARRIED TO MR. POON WAH-KAN, FITTER, OF NO. 30 VAT TAK ROAD, SECOND FLOOR. MR. REYNOLDS, DEPUTY REGISTRAR, OFFICIATED AT THE CEREMONY.

ANNOUNCEMENT  
THE FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE OF MR. MAI JOENG-TIANG, GOLD SMITH, OF NO. 6 LUNG ON STREET, AND MISS SING WAI-BING, OF NO. 4 WELLINGTON STREET, IS ANNOUNCED.

## THE OLD METHOD



Sandbags in an advanced state of deterioration seen outside the Supreme Court.—(Sun Ying Ming).

## HOME SOCCER AT EASTER

LONDON, Apr. 8 (Reuter)—FOOTBALL MATCHES ON EASTER MONDAY WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:—

### LONDON CUP

BRENTFORD v. QUEEN'S P.R.; CRYSTAL PAL v. ALDERSHOT; TOTTENHAM v. READING.

### LEAGUE, SOUTH

BRIGHTON v. SOUTHAMPTON; NORWICH v. LUTON; PORTSMOUTH v. SOUTHEND.

### REGIONAL, SOUTH

CHELSEA v. ARSENAL; WESTHAM v. WATFORD; MILLWALL v. FULHAM; NORTHAMPTON v. STOKE.

### REGIONAL, NORTH

BARNESLEY v. YORK; BOLTON v. BURNLEY; EVERTON v. BLACKPOOL; HALIFAX v. BLACKBURN; LEEDS U. v. BURY; MANCHESTER C. v. OLDHAM; ROTHERHAM v. HUDDERSFIELD; SHEFFIELD W. v. SHEFFIELD U.; SOUTHPORT v. LIVERPOOL; STOCKPORT v. BRADFORD C.; TRANMERE v. PRESTON; WREXHAM v. STOKE.

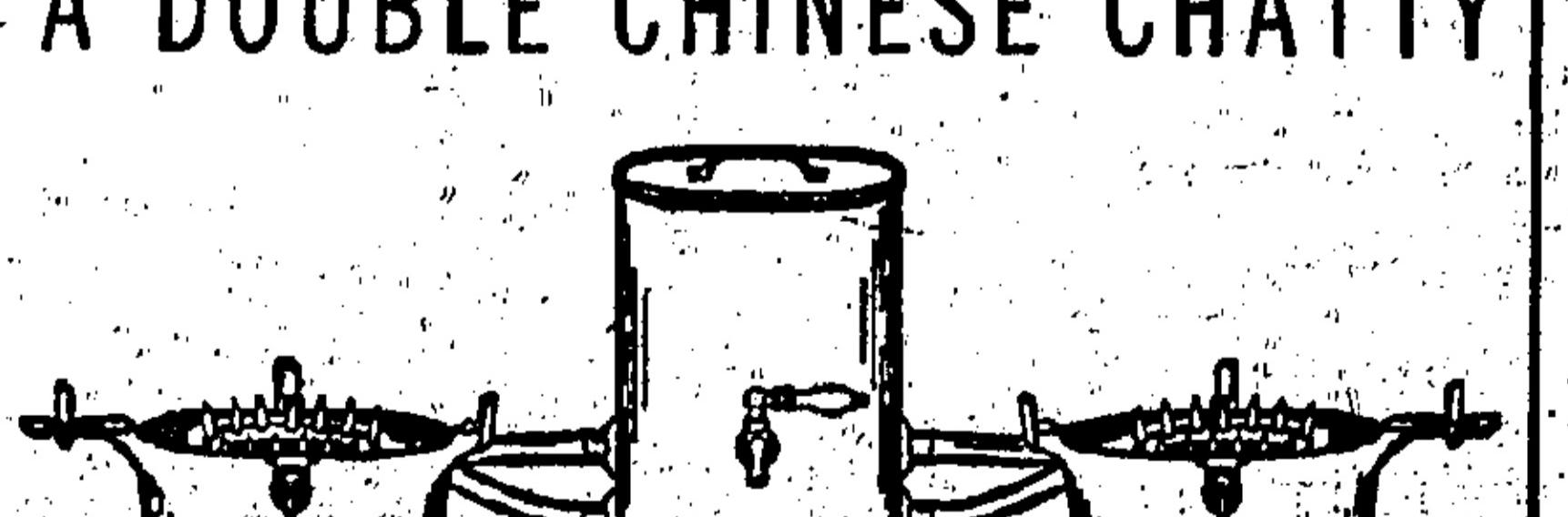
### REGIONAL MATCHES

BRADFORD v. MANSFIELD; CHESTERFIELD v. NOTTS C.; LEICESTER v. LINCOLN.

### CLUB SINGLES: T. C. MONAGHAN v. CAPT. R. E. GUEST

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POSSESSION OF  
PREMISES

Hearing Adjourned  
To Next Month

A claim for the possession of the second floor of No. 32 Stamford Street was brought before Mr. Justice E.H. Williams at the Summary Court yesterday by Hung Suk-hing, spinster, of No. 9 Wong Neichong Road, against her former tenant, Chan Man, now residing at an unnumbered house at the junction of Hill Road and Pokfulam Road.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. Li Kwan, while Mr. M.A. da Silva was for the defence.

Plaintiff claimed possession of the premises which were let to defendant at a monthly rental of \$40 on a monthly tenancy which was duly terminated by notice to quit expiring on Feb. 13. Plaintiff also claimed two months' rent (\$80) in arrears, mesne profits and costs of the action.

PREMISES NOT SUB-LET  
Hung Suk-hing stated, in evidence, that Chan Man had not sub-let any part of the premises. On Dec. 21 her rent collector went to the premises. As the result of a message received she also went there and discovered that Chan Man and his family had removed but there was another man there. She later gave notice to defendant to quit.

On Jan. 18 Wong Ha-sang, the present tenant, came to see her and asked for the tenancy of the premises, but she refused.

TOO MANY PEOPLE  
Cross-examined by Mr. Silva witness said that the object of the present proceedings was not for an increase of rent but not to dirty the premises, by having too many people living in it. She denied that she had asked that the rents be increased to \$85.

After further corroborative evidence had been called, hearing was adjourned to May 8 at 2.30 p.m.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified, as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Tuesday:—Cholera, six cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, six cases; Enteric Fever, two cases; Measles, six cases; Tuberculosis, 36 cases.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Police constable C465, Leung Shing-man, 23, was sent for trial on charges of demanding money with menaces and of accepting a bribe and Kwok Choi, alias La Cha Mau, 22, unemployed, on the first charge by Mr. H.G. Sheldon yesterday, when committed proceedings were concluded.

First defendant was also charged with leaving his beat without permission, but this charge was withdrawn yesterday.

It was alleged that defendants demanded \$30 from one Yung Hau at Des Voeux Road West on Mar. 21.

Det.-Sgt. R. Macvey prosecuted. "TSE FA" GAMBLING

Six unemployed were charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with keeping common gaming houses for the purpose of "tse fa" at various addresses in Wanchai and West Point on Apr. 8 and fines ranging from \$50 to \$75 were imposed.

Wong Tak, 38, and Li Tim-cheng, 21, failing to appear had their balls of \$50 each estreated.

Accused were Kwan Shun, 26, Chan Kei, 30, Fung Hung, 32,

Cheung Ken-wai, 17, No. 135, Belcher Street, ground floor, was remanded until today for further enquiries.

Det. Sub-Inst. F.W. Fowle and Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison prosecuted.

Table money aggregating \$16.45 picked up in the raids was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

STUDENT REMANDED

Lo Ying, 21, unemployed, who represented himself as a former student of King's College, was charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with receiving a fountain pen and a waistcoat, knowing them to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison said that the articles were stolen from a room in the building while a meeting was in progress. Defendant was remanded for 24 hours for his parents to locate.

DECISION RESERVED

Decision was reserved by Mr. Lowry yesterday until April 23, at 11.15 a.m., regarding the application made by Mr. M.A. da Silva, on behalf of the complainant in the case in which Wong Hal-fong, merchant, and Cheung Kung-hop, were charged with conspiracy to threaten Tang King-wai, merchant, with injury in order to force him to withdraw the prosecution of a pending civil action in the Supreme Court for the recovery of \$20,520.37. Cheung was additionally charged with having demanded \$200 from Tang with menaces.

Both defendants were found not guilty and discharged by Mr. Lowry on Feb. 15.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo appeared for first defendant and Mr. C.A. Sutherland Russ for second.

FITTER IN TROUBLE

Wong Siu, 28, fitter, was remanded by Mr. Lowry yesterday until today on a charge of unlawfully making an addition to an electrical installation directly connected to the mains of the Hongkong Electric Company in the servants' quarters on the second floor of No. 22, Des Voeux Road Central on or about Mar. 31.

GUNNY BAGS

Ho Ling, 28, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on two charges of placing 45 gunny bags on board a boat berthed at the Ping On Wharf on Apr. 8 without the consent of the owner, charterer, agents or master of the boat, and without a licence from the Controller of Trade.

Defendant, who was allowed to bail of \$100, was remanded until today.

UNEMPLOYED CHARGED

Three unemployed appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on charges in connexion with the theft of a quantity of hammers and nails from the stores of Marsman Company, in Queen's Road Central.

Fung Kwei, 24, was charged with stealing by false pretences a 8-pound hammer on April 8. Kwok Wing, 38, two 12-pound and one 16-pound hammers on April 7, and Cheung Wah, 24, 25 pounds of nails on April 8. Fung was also charged with aiding and abetting the last two men.

All defendants were remanded until today on the application of Det.-Sgt. Willison.

ELECTRICITY THEFT

Chan Sing, 34, elevator boy, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with stealing 182.5 units of electricity, valued at \$37.57, at No. 22, Des Voeux Road Central, second floor, between March and April 7. Defendant admitted the charge.

Det.-Sgt. Willison said that the complainant was Li Tak manager of the New Majestic Ballroom, where defendant was formerly employed.

Mr. Lowry ordered defendant to be remanded until Saturday to see whether he could make restitution.

FORGED BANKNOTES

The case in which Kwan Kan, 74, unemployed, was charged with unlawful possession of a forged five-yuan Bank of Communications note at No. 2 Police Station, and Li Ah-fung, 31, married woman, of six five-yuan Central Bank of China notes at No. 186 Johnston Road, second floor, on April 1, was heard before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Both defendants pleaded not guilty.

After further evidence had been given, the case was remanded for defendant to call his witness.

Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

MURDER CHARGE

Commitial proceedings against Kwok Keng, 25, who was charged with murdering Ho Mul, a woman, at No. 284, Matauwei Road on Feb. 9, 1940, was concluded before Mr. Anderson yesterday when defendant was committed to the Criminal Sessions.

It was alleged that accused went to the deceased's house and was overheard asking for the keys by an amah. After the departure of defendant, it was alleged that the amah found her mistress lying dead in the cubicle with a piece of cloth around her neck.

Mr. J.P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted assisted by Chief Detective Inspector A.E. Carey.

Accused reserved his statement.

PROFITEERS FINED

For selling rice at a price higher than the price fixed by Government, Chan Chung-kong, 21, of a rice shop at No. 55, Saikung Road, was fined \$50 by Mr. D.J.N. Anderson yesterday.

Chau Shan, 60, of a rice shop at No. 21, Sa Po Road was also fined \$50 for a similar offence.

PETTY LARCENIES

Four Chinese, Mak Ming, 30, Sze-to-yin, 28, Lai Kai, 28, and Tang Lam, 21, appeared before Mr. Anderson on four charges of larceny.

First and second defendants were charged with stealing 15 pieces of clothing, three pocket watches, a fountain pen, a driver's licence and \$4.70 in money from Wan Sui-kee, foki at No. 70, Argyle Street, and a pair of trousers, a purse containing 70 cents from Wong Sui-to, at No. 72, Argyle Street.

Third and fourth accused were charged with stealing a suit of clothing, a wrist watch and \$13 from Ho Sum, seaman, at No. 82, Tung Choi Street. The last defendant was additionally charged with larceny of a suit of clothing and two tobacco pipes from Kwan Lan, married woman, at No. 609 Reclamation Street.

Det.-Sgt. W.G. Morrison asked for remand of 24 hours which was granted.

FEMALE LABOUR

Several summonses for employing female workers in factories after eight o'clock in the evening were heard before Mr. H.G. Macnamara yesterday.

The Leung Ming Bulb Company, at No. 64, Argyle Street, and the Lee Shing Knitting Company, of No. 83-5 Kiln Street were each fined \$50.

The Min Ngai Knitting Company, of No. 32, Fuk Tsui Street was fined \$100 for a similar offence.

The Nam Chung Knitting Company, of No. 54, Fuk Wan Street, and the Yuen Wah Electric Platting Company, of No. 56, Fuk Wah Street, were fined \$25 each.

Mr. D.W. Phillips, Inspector of Factories and Workshops, was in charge of the cases.

THEFT OF JEWELLERY

Charged with larceny of a quantity of jewellery, Wong Fung-lin, 30, married woman, appeared before Mr. Macnamara yesterday in default a month with hard labour, by Commander J. Jolly at the Marine Court yesterday.

She was accused of stealing two gold bangles, four pairs of rattan

TAXATION ON TOILET  
PREPARATIONS AS  
FROM 2 P.M. TODAY

AS FROM 2 O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON THE FOLLOWING DUTIES ON TOILET PREPARATIONS WILL COME INTO FORCE:

On any quantity for retail at a price (excluding the duty)—

Duty not exceeding 50 cents.....5 cents

over 50 cents and not exceeding \$1.00.....10 "

over \$1.00 and not exceeding \$1.50.....15 "

over \$1.50 and not exceeding \$2.00.....20 "

and in addition, for every dollar or fraction of a dollar by which the retail price exceeds \$2.00.....10 "

Provided that in the case of toilet preparations packed in two or more cakes in one container, or in two or more containers enclosed in a larger container, duty shall be assessed on each cake or container which can be sold separately and the retail price for that cake or container.

For the purpose of the Resolution, which has been approved by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, "toilet preparations" means any substance commonly used for the toilet and includes toilet soap; shaving soap and cream; tooth pastes or powder and liquid preparations for dental purposes or mouth washes; perfumed spirits; toilet paste or powder; toilet cream; hair dye; scented sachets; lipstick; rouge and grease paint; preparations for use in manicure and chiropody; preparations for use on the hair, face or body; bath salts and essences; smelling salts; prepared Fuller's earth; but does not include any substance made and sold under a name or synonym specified in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex.

AFFIXING LABELS

The following is the direction by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports as to the affixing of duty paid labels on toilet preparations: Whenever duty is paid on toilet preparations, and whenever any toilet preparation on which the duty has been paid is bottled, packed or repacked, a label denoting the amount of the duty paid shall be affixed to the innermost container which can be sold separately, so that it cannot be opened without breaking the label: provided that, if the preparation consists of cakes which can be sold separately, a label shall be affixed to each cake.

TO PROMOTE  
OVERSEAS  
EDUCATION

For the promotion of education among overseas Chinese, a group of prominent Chinese educators in Hongkong are planning to organise a World Overseas Chinese Educational Association here with branches in Malaya and other places abroad.

All those who are engaged in educational work or are enthusiastic in extending support to the promotion of overseas Chinese education are welcomed to become members of the Association.

Regulations governing the organisation of the Association have been formulated. There will be an executive committee of 29 to 35 members and a supervisory committee of five to seven members. The Association will have several sections, in charge of the welfare of teachers, publication of periodicals, custody of funds raised for educational purpose and other affairs.

bangles, a pair of gold earrings, three gold rings and a gold hair press from Cheung So, widow, at No. 44, Shanghai Street.

Accused was alternatively charged with receiving the property.

D. O. SOUTH

BOUND OVER

Chan Kwong, charged before Mr. S.F. Balfour yesterday with the possession of 25 catties wild tree wood, at Castle Peak Road on Apr. 8, was bound over in the sum of \$25 for one year on his pleading guilty to the charge.

MARINE COURT

ILLEGAL BOARDING

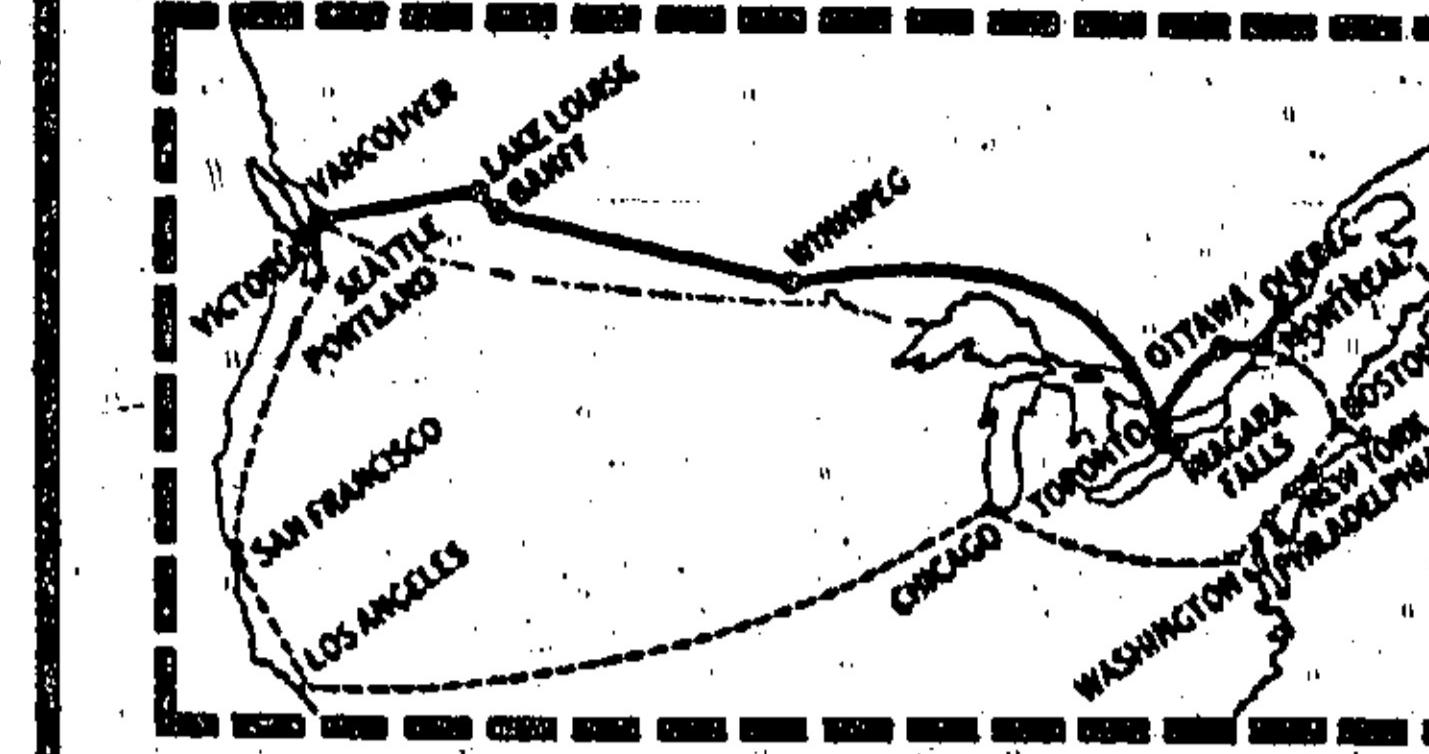
Charged with having boarded a ship in harbour without permission of the master or officer in charge, eight coolies were fined \$30 each. In default a month with hard labour, by Commander J. Jolly at the Marine Court yesterday.

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## REVIEW OF AMERICAN INDUSTRY

### HUGE FACTORIES GO INTO ACTION: ACTIVITY MARKS NEW DECADE

The year 1940 may go down as the one in which the great industrial giant that is America awoke.

The year drew to a close with the molten steel belching from the furnaces of Pittsburgh, Gary and Birmingham at a rate unequalled in 1917 or in 1929.

But the industrial giant—holding in his fists some 40 per cent of the world's productive capacity—awoke late.

Congress, which had conservatively whittled down requested defense appropriations in the winter, hastened to vote billions for planes, guns and ships.

Britain, after months of careful purchasing from American plants, haggling over terms, began calling for everything Uncle Sam could deliver.

Even now, with output of steel, vital machine tools, and aeroplanes straining present capacity, we are just getting started. Aeroplane production is still reckoned in hundreds a month, instead of thousands.

America's unemployed by varied estimates, still number 8,000,000 to 9,000,000.

But few doubt 1941 will see rapid acceleration. A defence boom is freely predicted. Jobs to be created are estimated all the way from a few hundred thousand (CIO) to 6,000,000 (Secretary of Labour Perkins).

That an arms-generated boom will bring the sort of prosperity for which the nation has been struggling through a decade of depression, is something many are unwilling to predict. The huge costs, the prospect of steeply higher taxes, the possible dislocation of peace time trade, are that national income will increase

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## Finance and Commerce

### H.K. Stock Exchange

April 9.  
The market is dull but there are no particular signs of weakness.

#### BUYERS

Bank of East Asia, \$70.  
Union Ins., \$430.  
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$80.  
Hotels X.D., \$3.  
Humphreys, \$8.80.  
Star Ferries, \$52.  
Lights (Old), \$52.  
Electrics Rts., \$15.  
Dairy Farms, \$17.25.  
SALES

#### Provident, \$5.30. Lights (Old), \$8.20.

to such a level right away in 1941.

In trying to assess the future, business men are asking such grave questions as, "How long will the war last?" "What will happen to U.S. own economy, and that of the world for that matter, when it is over, and production of arms ends?"

From each other, and from their experts and economists, they are receiving such conjectural answers as these:

1.—An end of the war in Europe which might take the form of an indecisive truce would no doubt leave Uncle Sam still determined to increase his arms.

2.—A defeat of Britain would presumably intensify the drive to arm in America.

3.—Defeat of the Axis Powers,

### FRENCH TRADE WITH COLONIES

#### Striking Allegations Made In Commons

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—Striking allegations about trade between France and her colonies were made by the Liberal member, Mr. Geoffrey le Mander, in the House of Commons yesterday.

In a question he suggested that the weekly crossings between France and Africa average 70;

That ships pass Gibraltar from Dakar, Morocco, Indo-China and the Antilles largely unchallenged;

And that imports between October and February amounted to

many tons of wine, meat, grain, peanut oil, fruit, fish, sugar, rum and cocoa.

He wanted to know what the British Government is doing to prevent such articles reaching the enemy.

Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister for Economic Warfare, was not prepared to accept all Mr. le Mander's statement as accurate, but confessed that the state of affairs referred to gave ground for "grave dissatisfaction" and added that Britain in no degree waived her belligerent rights.

While seemingly not in early prospect might well bring a reconstruction period resulting in an enormous demand for American

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### Revolution In British Taxation

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—Budget proposals were the chief topic of leaders in yesterday's newspapers, both the London and provincial Press recognising the thoroughgoingness of the Chancellor's plans.

The bringing in of the extra 2,000,000 lower bracket income-tax payers, is stressed by all, the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN describing it as "a revolution in British taxation."

General welcome is accorded the introduction of the principle of compulsory savings connected with it.

The decision to omit from the budget the cost of goods received by Britain under the Lease and Lend Act is particularly approved by the DAILY TELEGRAPH, while the DAILY MAIL commenting on the higher income-tax, observes:

"There will be little or nothing left for pleasures and recreation, yet the budget will be supported to use the Chancellor's words as tangible evidence of our firm resolve to leave nothing undone to achieve victory."

THE TIMES emphasising the great calls on the wealthy people writes: "At least this budget is an effective answer to the silly sneers about 'plutocratic' countries with which the dictators so tediously adorn their speeches."

### JERUSALEM RATES INCREASED

JERUSALEM, April 9 (Reuter)—A 25 per cent. increase in rates has been decided on by the Jerusalem Municipal Council.

The increase is due to the general desire in Palestine to ease the burden on British tax-payers who contribute grants towards the expenses of the Palestine municipalities.

Drastic provisions of the British Budget have already impressed all quarters in Palestine and the high rate was announced subsequent to the publication of the Budget figures.

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# FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, April 8, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	11.26	11.15	11.22	11.15	.07 off
New York Rubber, May	22.00	21.80	22.00	22.00	unch.
Chicago Wheat, May	913	90	913	90	1/2 off
Chicago Corn, May	67	68	68	68	unch.
New York Hides, June	14.19	13.70	14.10b	13.75	.35 off

	Close	Closing	Change
May	11.27/22	11.15/17	.07 off
July	11.23/23	11.12/12	.11 off
October	11.14/15	11.04/04	.10 off
December	11.13/13	11.04/05	.09 off
January	11.11 N	11.02 N	.09 off
March	11.12/12	11.03/03	.09 off
Spot	11.51	11.39	.12 off

Total sales Monday:—89,600 bales.

## NEW YORK RUBBER

	May	22.00b/10a	22.00/00	unch.
July (New contract)	21.10b	20.82b/90a	.28 off	
September ( )	20.80b	20.52b/58a	.28 off	
December ( )	20.50b	20.25 N	.25 off	

Total sales for the day:—210 tons.

## CHICAGO WHEAT

	May	913/914	901/901	1/2 off
July	904/904	881/881	1/2 off	
September	904/904	881/881	1/2 off	
Monday's sales:—14,120,000 bushels.				

## CHICAGO CORN

	May	67/661	681/681	unch.
July	671/671	67/67	1/2 off	
September	671/671	671/671	1/2 off	

Total sales for the day:—213 contracts.

## NEW YORK COCOA

	May	6.64 N	6.65 N	.01 up
July	2.43b/44a	2.44b/45a	.01 up	
September	2.45b/46a	2.44b/45a	.01 off	

Volume of business done:—145 lots

## NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	May	75b/78a	75b/76a	.00 up
July	80b/81a	80b/80a	unch.	

## NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	July	11.35b/40a	11.30b/40a	.05 off
N.Y. Official Silver	8.59b/60a	8.39/39	.20 off	

	July	403-1/2	403-1/2
N.Y.-London Cross Rate			

## AMERICAN INDUSTRY

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products and credits. This is not to say, of course, that transition from wartime to peacetime economy would be easy.

At this time a year ago, American business was on the verge of a let-down resulting from the too hasty expectations of a war boom, which in autumn had sent stock prices booming, and industrial purchasing agents hastily stocking materials.

As the struggle in Europe developed into what wiseacre began to call a "sit-down" war, and it became increasingly apparent that it was not going to follow the pattern of World War I, business and markets faltered. Inventories were bought in the autumn seemed burdensome. Steel production slackened by a third in a few weeks.

The German invasion of Denmark and Norway last April was but mildly startling. There was talk of a spring pickup in business, and perhaps expanded allied purchasing would help it.

**LOWLANDS ACTION SHOCK**  
It took the German invasion of Holland and Belgium in May to shock America into full realisation of the gravity of the European holocaust. Mild panic developed in speculative markets. The stock experienced one of the most severe price declines in Wall Street history. From May 19 to June 14, grain prices were pegged in the Chicago pit.

But the prospect of greatly expanded and accelerated defence measures at home, and hastened purchasing by Britain quickly turned the tide. Congress almost immediately appropriated, at President Roosevelt's request, \$3,297,000,000, first of a series of record-breaking peacetime authorisations for arms.

The volume of industrial production in the United States, as measured by the Federal Reserve Board, had dropped 12 per cent from December to April. In May and June, it rose 8 per cent.

At last America was on the way to a full-fledged arms programme. Congress was freely voting billions, and business men who had complained of government spending and high taxes urged still more taxes to make America strong.

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, April 8.  
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

**SHANGHAI DOLLARS**  
Opened with sellers at 450 but later business was done at 461.1/4 and 461.1/2. The market closed with sellers at 461.1/2 and probable buyers at 462.

**SHANGHAI MARKET**  
Opened with sellers of Sterling at 31.4/4 and closed with sellers at 31.5/6 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5.11/32 and closed with sellers at 5.5/16 for Spot.

**Shanghai Exchange**  
Shanghai, Apr. 9 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates.

**LONDON SILVER**  
London, Apr. 8 (Reuter). Opening.

**NEW YORK** ..... 5-3/16  
**Japan** ..... 22  
**India** ..... 17-5/8  
**Paris** ..... nominal  
**Hongkong** ..... 21-1/8

**Sterling**  
Sellers  
Opening Closings

**Spot** ..... 0/3-1/4 0/3-15/64  
**Apr.** ..... 0/3-1/4 0/3-15/64  
**May** ..... 0/3-1/4 0/3-15/64

**U.S. Dollars**  
Spot ..... \$5-11/32 \$5-5/16  
Apr. ..... 5-11/32 5-5/16  
May ..... 5-11/32 5-5/16  
Market—Quiet.

**Silver Duty Rate**  
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 244 per cent.

**Calcutta, Exchange**  
Calcutta, Apr. 8 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2

**India Rupee Paper**  
Bombay, Apr. 8 (Reuter). Govt. 3½ Rupees, 95-12-0.

**Gulf Kalimpong Rubber** ..... 14/9  
**Lon., Mid. & Scot., Rly.** ..... 12/4  
**Great Western Rly.** ..... 32/4  
**National Bank of India** ..... 31/4  
**B-A, Tob (Bearer)** ..... 88/11  
**Dunlop Rubber** ..... 33/9  
**British Aeroplane** ..... 10/4  
**Imperial Chemical Ind.** ..... 29/9  
**United Steel** ..... 21/6

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## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

### CLOSING QUOTATIONS

APRIL 9, 1941.

In London:— Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8

Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 7/8

Credits 4 months' sight

On Shanghai:—

On demand ..... 450

On Singapore:—

On demand ..... 58 3/4

On Japan:—

On demand ..... 103 1/2

On India:—

Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8

and demand ..... 88 1/2

On New York:—

Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/4

Credits, 60 days' sight 25

On Batavia:—

On demand ..... 45 1/2

On Paris:—

Bank Bills, on demand Nom.

Credits, 4 months' sight Nom.

On Saigon:—

On demand ..... 105

On Manila:—

On demand ..... 48 1/2

On Bangkok:—

On demand ..... 149 1/2

On Sterling Notes:—

Bank Buying Rate Nom.

Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/2

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

APRIL 9, 1941.

STOCKS Last Sale

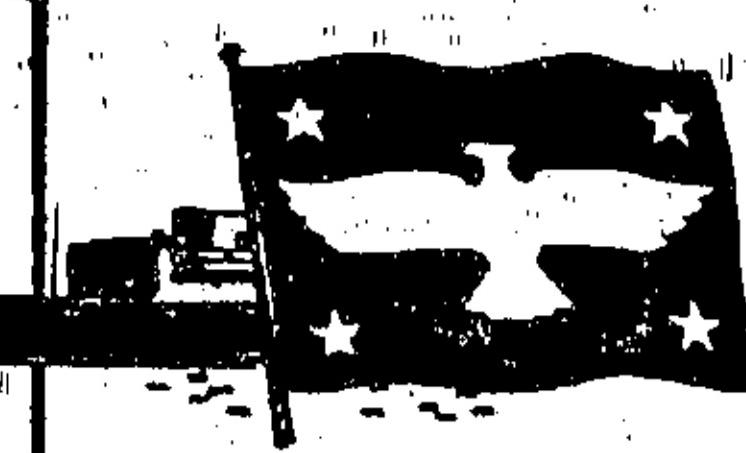
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STOCKS Last Sale

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Adams Express ..... 51 Kennebott Copper ..... 321

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SS "PRESIDENT HAYES" May 4  
SS "PRESIDENT TYLER" May 12  
SS "PRESIDENT GARFIELD" May 18

To MANILA  
SS "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE" April 12  
SS "PRESIDENT PIERCE" April 25  
SS "PRESIDENT TAFT" May 6

To NEW YORK and BOSTON via SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES and PANAMA  
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NITTA MARU Tuesday, 20th May

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HIKAWA MARU Monday, 14th Apr.

SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Hilo & San Francisco.

TAKETOYO MARU (starts from Kobe) Tuesday, 20th May

NEW YORK via Japan & Panama  
AZUMA MARU Thursday, 17th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila.  
SUWA MARU Saturday, 28th Apr.

SAIGON  
MATSUMOTO MARU Thursday, 10th Apr.  
MATUE MARU Thursday, 24th Apr.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.  
HAKONE MARU Sunday, 13th Apr.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore  
MATSUMOTO MARU Thursday, 10th Apr.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA  
AZAMA MARU Thursday, 17th Apr.  
ASAMA MARU Tuesday, 16th Apr.  
HUSIMI MARU Tuesday, 22nd Apr.  
TATUTA MARU Tuesday, 6th May

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British Shipping Losses

"Greatly Exaggerated"  
LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—How Germany juggles with figures in her propaganda war against British shipping is exposed by a survey of German claims for the month of March made in authoritative London quarters.

The German day-to-day claims, it is pointed out, are the most exaggerated. The sum of these is always greater than each "weekly total" issued by the Nazis.

For example, figures for the third week of the Battle of the Atlantic total 387,000 tons while the day-to-day figures add up to 422,000 tons. In the second week, when no weekly total was claimed, the day-to-day figure was 185,000 tons.

Similarly the sum of weekly figures broadcast to all countries is greater than the monthly total given.

**MONTHLY TOTALS**

For example, the monthly total for March, 718,000 tons, is equalled by the weekly totals, for the first, third and fourth weeks. The 185,000 tons claimed in the day-by-day in the second week never appear again.

Lastly, as part of the war of nerves against Britain, the figures given in broadcasts to England are always higher than those cited to elsewhere.

**CALL FOR UNITY**

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—A call to Croats for unity and discipline was uttered over the Zagreb wireless last night by Dr. Vladimir Matchek, the Croat leader and Vice-Premier in General Simovitch's Cabinet.

The catastrophe of war, he says, can be lessened if the people are united and disciplined.

Assuring the Croats that he was going to remain among them and share with them every sorrow and trial, he urges them to "have faith in God and the unity of the Peasant Party."

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Ten people arrested at Svolvaer after the Lofoten Islands raid are said to be among the first prisoners sent to the German concentration camp at Oslo, according to the Norwegian Telegraphic Agency.

**HONG KONG TIDE TABLE**  
From 10 to 16 April 1941.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thur. 10		h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
	10	0 17	5 6	0 27	1 6
		20 25	6 5	14 09	2 2
Fri. 11		8 51	6 2	2 43	1 6
		21 18	6 5	14 57	1 8
Sat. 12		0 28	6 6	5 17	1 6
		22 14	6 3	15 45	1 1
Sun. 13		10 06	6 9	3 02	2 0
		23 07	6 9	16 24	0 8
Mon. 14		10 43	7 1	0 27	2 3
				17 33	7 4
Tues. 15		0 04	5 5	0 49	2 8
		12 35	7 2	18 14	0 9
Wed. 16		0 04	5 0	0 32	3 1
		12 07	7 0	19 12	1 1

**HARBOUR OFFICE NOTIFICATION**

**Black-out Exercise Next Week**

A Black-out Exercise will take place on April 17. In this exercise, the black-out will automatically commence at sunset (1844 hours) and terminate at 2200 hours on that day when normal lighting and traffic will be resumed.

External lights of every description on board vessels are prohibited; and all internal lights must either be extinguished or obscured, so that no light is visible either from above or from any other direction.

Torches may be used to meet any special circumstance, but they must be screened with two thicknesses of ordinary blue close-woven cloth or coated with paint.

**LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED**

The following lights in the Hongkong Area will be extinguished throughout the night of April 17-18:—Waglan Island, Tathong Point, Cape Collison, South Lyeemun, North Lyeemun, Channel Rock, Cuck Rock, North Fairway Buoy, Central Fairway Buoy, South Fairway Buoy, Green Island, Ma Wan Island, Kap Sing Island, and the lights at the Entrances to the Yau-mati Bay Typhoon Shelter.

Note:—Waglan Island, Cape Collison and Green Island will be re-lighted at 2200 hours.

The Port will be closed to all inward and outward shipping between sunset and 2200 hours, during which period no movements of vessels, etc., will be permitted inside the Port.

A restricted ferry service will be maintained by the Star Ferry and the Hongkong and Yaumati Ferry between Hongkong and Kowloon, and the vessels so employed will carry and show the prescribed navigation lights reduced in visibility to the satisfaction of the Harbour Master.

**PIER LIGHTS**

Pier lights at Hongkong and Kowloon will also be permitted, provided that such lights cannot

**CONSIGNEES' NOTICES**

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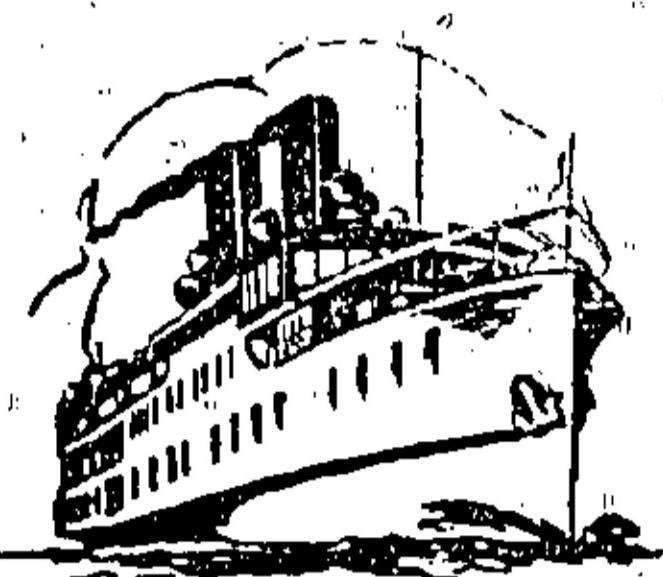
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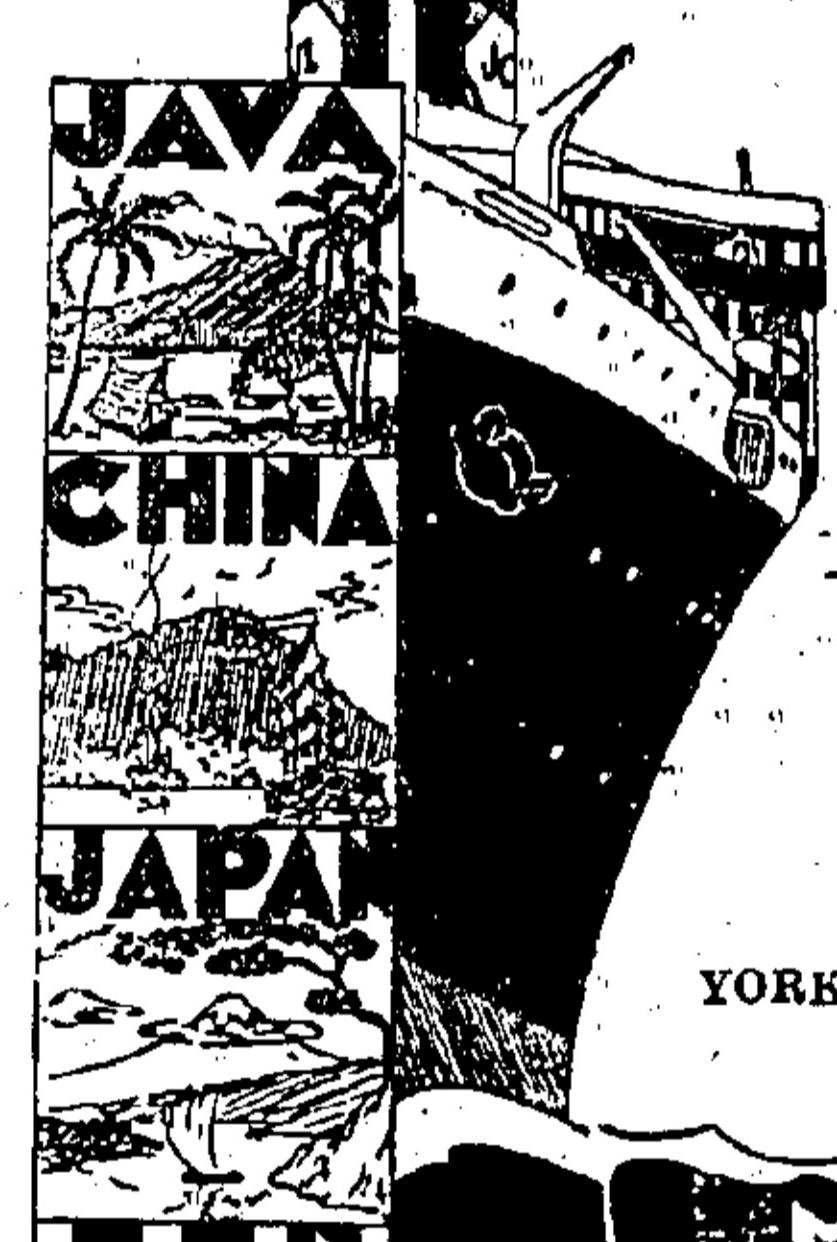
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## Inducements To Players To Go On Soccer Tours: Heated Discussion Raised By Kwong Wah Letter: Army Officer And Evasion Of The Issue

The question regarding inducements being made by a club to players of another club to go on a tour, arising out of a letter from the KWONG WAH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, was the subject of a heated session at the monthly Council meeting of the HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION held yesterday evening.

KWONG WAH complained that with regard to a letter which they wrote to EASTERN on Mar. 26 they had received no reply, and asked the Association to press Eastern to give an answer.

### A.R.P. Orders

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S/Wardens—1582 Chan Moon and 1580 Wan Wing-sin.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Divisional Warden E. Humsworth, Shamshui-poo, 3 months as from April 20. Deputy Divisional Warden G. T. Bird, Quarry Bay, 5 weeks' sick leave as from April 4. S/Warden 1047 Miss Kit-oi, Aberdeen, one month's leave as from April 1. 2415 Chan Sik-cheung, Shamshui-poo, two weeks' leave as from April 1. Dep. S/Warden 423 Lo Wing-fok, one month's leave as from April 8. 1517 W. Buchanan, Central, 4 months' leave as from April 9. Senior Warden 521 Fung Lai, S/W 563 Chan Pak-yuk, S/W 582 Leung Kwok-hung, and Deputy S/W 659 Kwong Tung 1 month's leave as from April 4.

#### INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

Wardens Class (E47) in English (Syl. "A")—Kowloon—Kowloon Tong Club, Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m., commencing on Monday, April 21. Lecturer—H. W. Leyden, L.A.R.P.S.

Wardens Classes in Chinese (Syl. "A")—C320 Farmers' Association, Wong Chuk-hang, Aberdeen, Wed., Fri. and Sun. at 7.30 p.m., commencing on April 9. Lecturer—Ip Wun-tsung, L.A.R.P.S. C321 Queen's College, Hollywood Rd. Mon. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m., commencing on April 10. Lecturer—Mr. Lai Hang-man, L.A.R.P.S. C322 Confucian Society Free School, Tai Hang Village, Wed. and Sat. at 7.30 p.m., commencing on April 12. Lecturer—Mr. Fan C. Liang, L.A.R.P.S. C323 Ellis Kadoorie School, Hospital Rd. Mon. and Fri. at 7 p.m., commencing on April 14. Lecturer—Mr. K. S. Leung, L.A.R.P.S. C324 King's College, Bonham Rd. Mon. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m., commencing on April 14. Lecturer—Mr. Chan Woon-cheung, L.A.R.P.S. C325 Chinese Public Dispensary, Shaukiwan, Mon. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m., commencing on April 14. Lecturer—Mr. Cheng Kim-wah, L.A.R.P.S.

1st Aid Lecture—Mongkok Division—A lecture on 1st Aid will be given by Dr. N. K. Law at Wah Yan College, Nelson Street, Mongkok, on April 10, at 19.30 hrs. for all members of Mongkok Division.

#### MEETING

Attestations—There will be no attestation meetings next week. Shamshui-poo—There will be a meeting of District and Deputy District Wardens in the Yee Kuk Street Dispensary, on Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m.

#### EXAMINATION RESULTS

The following qualified as Air Raid Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service—Chan Kit-cheong, Miss Kwok Sui-ping, Leung Yung-ming, Ho Pei.

The following qualified as House Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service—Pau Ying-jun, Kwong Fook, Leung Yuk-kwan, Lau Hui-yuan, Chow Kwok-keung, Ng Kau-yu, Chow Wal, Cheung Kwong, Au Hing, Kong Kin-fong, Lau Yu-cheung, Cheng Cheung, Lo Tan, Cheung Siu-cheng, To Tim, Chu Yat-wing, Kim Sang.

#### STRENGTH-INCREASE

The following qualified as Air Raid Wardens and are posted to Divisions as hereunder—Central—279 Au Shiu-hong, 314 Chan Choi, 493 Chu Chi-jin, 3708 Chu Hin-kong, 487 Hu Pock-lui, 3701 Lai Chi-dun, 418 Lee Tat-shuen, 3702 Miss Lee Wan-yok, 2456 Leung Yau-kwong, 3703 Miss Lo Lui-mui, 3704 Miss Lo Wing-tong, 3705 Wong Sui-dien, 3778 Tsui Ping-cheung, 3707 Miss Yau Yin-tong, 3708 Poon Kit-wai, 3709 Tsang Bun, Upper Levels—3698 Chi Keng, 601 Lai Kin-wah, 3699 Lung Kai-sui, 3700 Yu Man-yuen, Bay View—55 Miss Young Mu-nui, Eastern—3721 Au Yeung-kong, 3738 Miss Chan Kong-jarn, 3722 Chan Kung-jarn, 3709 Mrs. Chu Kwan-wah, 3723 Fung Wal-man, 3722 Lau Ping-lun, 3710 Miss Law Cheuk-ching, 3261 Lee Cheuk-woon, 3711 Miss Leung Sui-fun, 3712 Miss Leung Yuk-kung, 3714 Lui Yee-cheung, 3715 Miss Lunk Sik-tin, 3716 Mong Ying-hung, 3717 Poon Pak-hung, 3718 Tsui Wai-chung, 3733 Tam Kin-mo, Western—1117 Chan Tak-leung, 3178 Chan Yui-chuen, 3820 Chung Kwok-leung, 1120 Miss Kan Ching-tei, 1072 Miss Kan Pui-wan, 3724 Kwong Ying-hung, 3725 Lau Wing-lin, 3726 Li Lap-nikong, 3727 Ng Kan-jin, 3728 Siu Kin-hung, 3729 Sze To, Stanley—3761 Chen Sheng-bun, 3662 Cheung Fung, 3663 Au Wo, 3664 Ho Wal-abing, 3665 Li Pak-choy, 3666 Luk Lai-fooi, 3667 Ng Po-wai, 3668 Tuet Wah-leung, 3669 Chan Tung-on, 3707 Cheng Kai-ming, 3701 Chung

31 and pointed out that it was a serious matter to induce a player to leave his regular employment.

The Chairman said that the Association could not probe the private affairs of a player. This was an amateur league and another player could play for any club. He said they could not go into the question unless definite proof was forthcoming and pointed out that in the letter no complaint of inducements were made and only mentioned that travelling expenses would be paid.

Part from the request, said the Chairman, to the Association to press Eastern for a reply there was no proposal and he asked Mr. Brown if he would like to put one. He also pointed out that the Association had power to call for the books of Eastern.

#### PROPOSAL IN LETTER

Mr. Brown replied that the proposal was contained in the letter tabled before the meeting.

Mr. J. McElvee suggested that a letter be written to Eastern asking them why they did not write to Kwong Wah to seek permission for the players.

The Chairman pointed out that this was in direct contrast to the decision of the last meeting of the Council when it was decided that no transfer was necessary for tours outside the Colony.

Mr. H. K. Lee said that it was only a matter of courtesy for one club to reply to another and pointed out that the Association would be setting a dangerous precedent.

The motion of whether to press Eastern for a reply to Kwong Wah's letter was then put to the meeting and was defeated by a majority.

#### NOTICE

The following are the amounts of the street collection made during the Rotary Club's Flax Day on March 29, 1941 and the Lady Wardens taking part are to be congratulated.

A. R. P. ....	\$1,643.00
Individual Ladies ...	1,043.00
St. John Ambulance	850.00
V. A. D. ....	590.00
A. N. S. ....	540.00
Tung Wah Orphanage	272.00
Confucius School ....	259.00
Kowloon ....	1,061.00
Cheung Chau Island	78.00
Total ....	\$6,356.00

(Sgt.) B. H. PUCKLE,  
Deputy Director of A.R.P.

#### INCENDIARY BOMBS

##### A.R.P. Demonstration

A practical demonstration on how to treat an incendiary bomb, was given by Mr. Chat Tat-kwai, Instructor of the local A.R.P. school, yesterday afternoon before a large crowd of interested spectators and A.R.P. wardens.

Explaining the methods used to put out fire caused by an incendiary bomb, Mr. Chat said that either water or sand could be used. Water, if used, should not be applied in jets (except on to furniture or other wooden articles not actually alight) but should be sprayed on to a bomb but sprinkled on to it. The container for the sand should be near at hand so that there need not be any unnecessary delay between each shovelful.

After the bomb had been rendered harmless it should be deposited in the sand bin and carried out of the house for disposal.

#### PUBLIC INVITED

Another demonstration, accompanied by a lecture in English, will be given at 5.30 p.m. today on the ground, adjoining A.R.P. Headquarters, Happy Valley. The public is cordially invited to attend these demonstrations.

**LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—** General de Gaulle, Free French leader, following his sojourn in Egypt has now visited Palestine. According to a dispatch to the Independent French News Agency AFN he addressed Free French supporters in Jerusalem and Haifa.

## FOREIGN MAIRS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 10th APRIL, 1941, 9.30 A.M.

#### EASTER HOLIDAYS

On Friday 11th April, Saturday 12th April and Monday 14th April, the General Post Office and Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

#### Friday 11th

General Post Office ..... 8 a.m. to Noon  
Kowloon C. P. O. ..... 8 a.m. to Noon  
Sheungwan Branch P. O. ..... 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

#### Saturday 12th

General Post Office ..... 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.  
Kowloon C. P. O. ..... 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.  
Sheungwan Branch P. O. ..... 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

#### Monday 14th

General Post Office ..... 8 a.m. to Noon  
Kowloon C. P. O. ..... 8 a.m. to Noon  
Sheungwan Branch P. O. ..... 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

All other Branch Post Offices and Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at

11.30 a.m. Friday, 11th April

10.00 a.m. Saturday, 12th April

11.30 a.m. Monday, 14th April

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taipo and Un Long.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service is the following place in China temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan  
Szechuan  
Kweichow  
Hunan

Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu).

Kwangsi  
North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

## INWARD AIR MAIRS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco, 8th April.	15th Apr.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th April.	22nd Apr.

## OUTWARD AIR MAIRS

For	Date and Time
FRI. 11th K.P.O. Reg. 11.30 AM Ord. Noon G.P.O. Reg. 11.30 AM Ord. Noon	

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

TUESDAY	
K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM	

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Service".

TUE. 15th K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O
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